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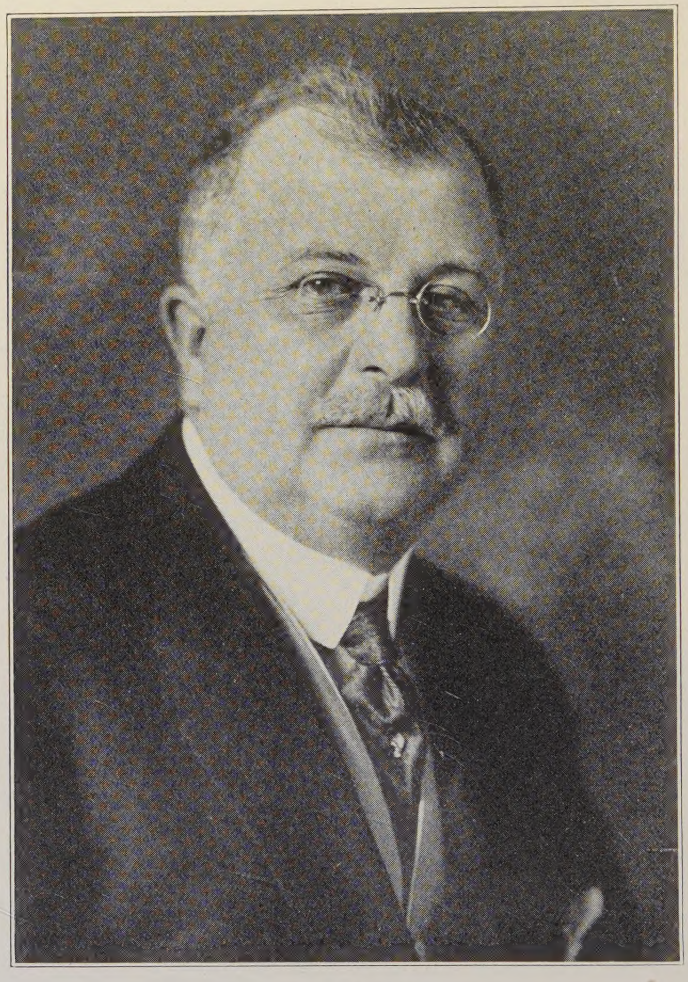

EDWARD D. LIBBEY

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EDWARD DRUMMOND LIBBEY

A history of Toledo would be incomplete without a sketch of Edward Drummond Libbey, one of its truly great business men and public-spirited citizens. One of the pioneers in the business world, he has helped make Toledo one of the important industrial centers of the United States. Through his public spirit he has established in Toledo the greatest art museum now existing in any American city of its size, making Toledo one of the great art centers of the United States. His career has been a constant and steadying influence in Toledo business and civic and artistic life for more than a third of a century. Primarily his name is associated with glass manufacture, particularly cut glass. Two generations of the family have been identified with the development of this industry.

It is said that the story of cut glass in the United States began with Deming Jarvis, the pioneer glass manufacturer of New England. Deming Jarvis was senior member of Jarvis & Commeraise, glass importers and manufacturers, with a factory located in South Boston. In 1850 this firm took into its employ as confidential clerk William L. Libbey. The latter was born in 1827 and died in 1883, a son of Israel and Mary Libbey. He remained with the firm of Jarvis & Commeraise only five years, or until 1855, when Mr. Jarvis sold the plant to the former clerk, and it was successfully conducted for ten years by William L. Libbey. At the end of that time he concentrated all of his attention upon the manufacture of glassware. A successful business was built up, but he sold in 1870 and took the position of general manager of the New England Glass Company at East Cambridge, Massachusetts. In 1880 he bought the entire business and at that time took in his son Edward as a partner.

Edward Drummond Libbey was born at Chelsea, Massachusetts, April 17, 1854, a son of William L. and Julia M. (Miller) Libbey. He acquired his early education in the public schools of Boston and later attended lectures at Boston University. In 1874, at the age of twenty, he was given an interest in his father's glass business. It was by a most strenuous apprenticeship that he was fitted for executive responsibility. He performed the most trivial of office duties and filled nearly all the clerical positions in order to learn every detail. On the death of his father in 1883 he succeeded as sole proprietor of the business and it went forward in the same successful manner under his leadership.

It was the discovery of natural gas in northwestern Ohio, and consequent cheap fuel to manufacturers, that brought Mr. Libbey to Toledo. He moved his business to the city in 1888 and incorporated it as The Libbey Glass Company. This is now one of Toledo's most noted industries. This city has the largest cut glass factory in the world in the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company, and for this distinction the city and its citizens are indebted to the enterprise of Mr. Libbey, who was the pioneer in this special industry. Under normal business conditions the company employs several hundred men. No other nation has excelled America in the cutting of glass into intricate and beautiful designs, and among cut glass manufacturers the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company stands deservedly at the head. It is a business with a great record of success and of progressive ideals, and the

excellence of the Libbey product is unmistakable under whatever conditions it is tested.

At the Columbian Exposition at Chicago in 1893 the Libbey Glass Company erected at a cost of more than one hundred thousand dollars a beautiful building in which the art of making and cutting glass was carried on in all its branches. That beautiful and practical exhibition probably did more than anything else to familiarize the world with this art and secure its just appreciation. What the Libbey company did then was the culminating effort of almost a century of steady progress in glass cutting, but the progress has continued uninterruptedly throughout the subsequent thirty years. Again, at the World's Fair in St. Louis, more than ten years later, the Libbey cut glass was prominent as an attraction and as a sharer in the awards.

Mr. Libbey became president of the Libbey Glass Company at the time of its incorporation and served as its chief executive officer until a few years ago, when the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company succeeded to the name. A number of years ago he turned his attention to a problem and in helping forward its solution has practically revolutionized glass manufacture. This has been brought about by the manufacture of automatic machinery for the making of glassware, particularly the ware which must be "blown," and that for generations the only method was the old hand and lung practice. Mr. Libbey has done much to introduce to the trade the Owens machine, which blows glass automatically. He is president of the Toledo Glass Company, a corporation established by him in 1894, and in 1903 he organized the Owens Bottle Machine Company, an Ohio corporation. This company secured an exclusive license from the Toledo Glass Company for the United States for the manufacture of machines and machine-made bottles. Since then the company has introduced the bottle machines into many of the largest plants in the United States. The Owens machine has been one of America's most wonderful inventions and in its success has almost rivaled Standard Oil in the returns to the original investors.

Until recently Mr. Libbey was president of the Owens European Bottle Machine Company, which was organized in 1905. This company purchased from the Toledo Glass Company all European rights for the Owens Bottle Machine, but a few years ago these rights were sold to a syndicate of European bottle manufacturers. In 1911 Mr. Libbey and his associates began a series of experimentations toward the perfecting of a process of drawing window glass in flat, continuous sheets. The basic idea, conceived by the late Irving W. Colburn, was sold at a receiver's sale and was purchased by the Toledo Glass Company and at great expense was successfully developed, resulting in a machine quite as revolutionary in the manufacture of sheet glass as the bottle machine in its branch of the glass industry. In 1906 the Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company was organized and purchased the sheet glass patent from the Toledo Glass Company, and Mr. Colburn was identified with these corporations until his death.

Mr. Libbey is president of the Owens Bottle Company and the Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company, all of his various glass companies being leaders in their several fields. With this brief exposition of his business interests and achievements, it remains to state what Mr. Libbey has done for his home city apart from the stimulation and establishment of business and industrial well-being. There is no reason to doubt the assertion that has been made that he has done as much for Toledo as any resident who ever lived here. It is not merely a diversion but a sincere interest which has made him always a lover of art. That interest has taken

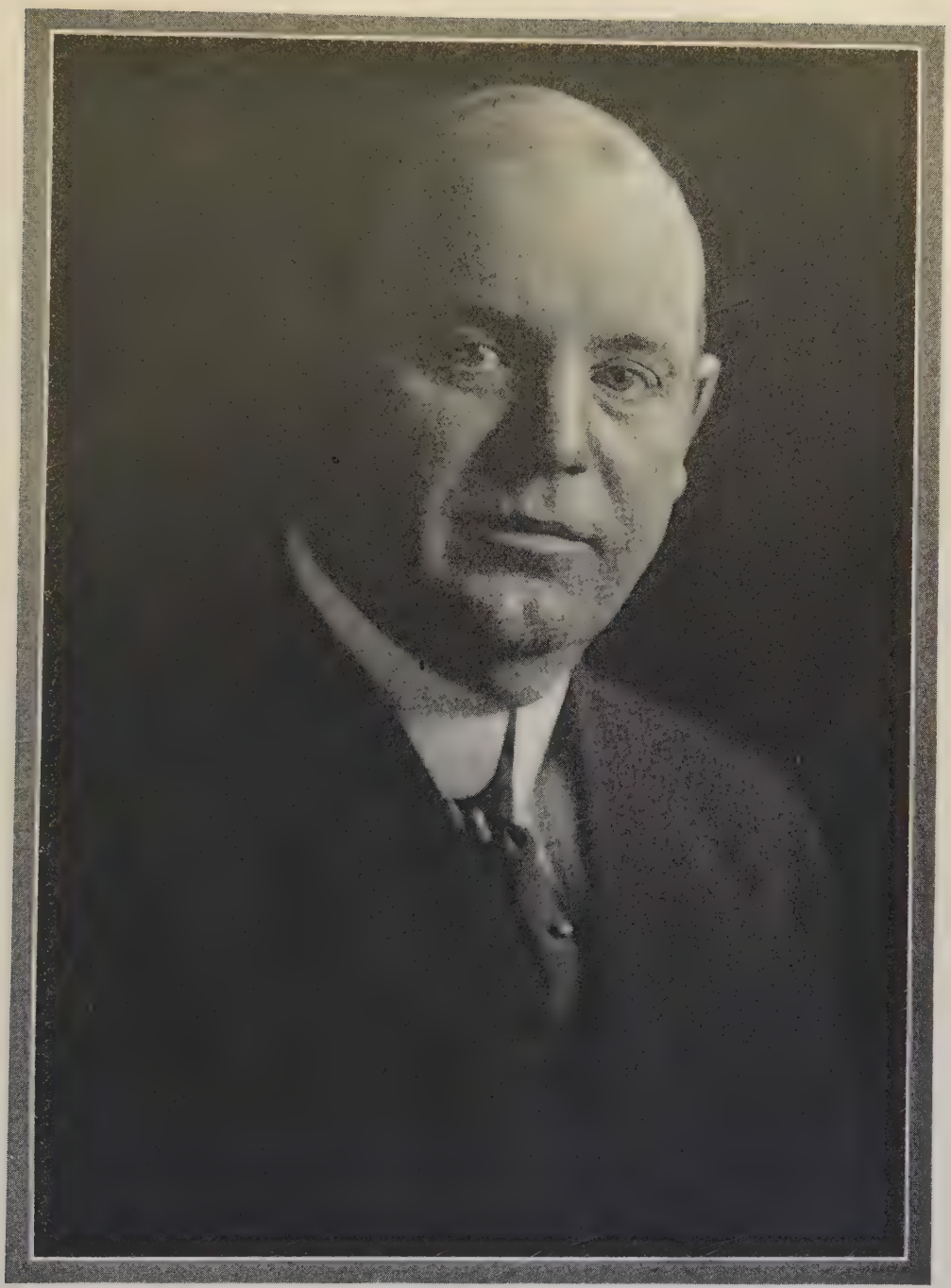
its chief direction in his benefactions in establishing the Toledo Museum of Art. On May 29, 1909, he and his wife, Florence (Scott) Libbey, conveyed by deed to the trustees of the museum seven lots and all the buildings thereon. This place was the homestead of the late Maurice A. Scott, father of Mrs. Libbey, and situated in the Scottwood addition to the city. The terms of the deed are that the trustees hold the same for fifty years, erect thereon a museum for the advancement and display of works of art, and after the lapse of the stated time the trustees may do with the property as they may desire. In addition to this gift Mr. Libbey has purchased three hundred feet on the west side of the new museum property on Monroe street, thus giving the museum a total frontage on Monroe street of about eight hundred feet and about five hundred feet on Grove place. This acquisition was purchased for the purpose of protecting the museum from any future encroachment on the part of unsympathetic property owners who might erect unsightly buildings close to the beautiful museum structure. The Toledo Museum of Art was incorporated in 1901 and Mr. Libbey has always been the president and greatest patron of the institution. Upon the ground a magnificent structure has been erected through the benefactions of Mr. Libbey and thousands of other Toledo citizens, which is praised by critics everywhere. Mr. and Mrs. Libbey have presented many beautiful paintings and other works of art to the museum. One of the former's recent gifts is a collection of ancient glass, which with previous gifts in the same field makes the Toledo museum glass collection perhaps the foremost in America. In 1916 an endowment fund of six hundred thousand dollars was raised among Toledo citizens for the Museum of Art, even children contributing their pennies, and to this fund Mr. Libbey was the largest donor. He has also promised to almost double the size of the present building. Altogether, his benefactions to this institution will approximate more than one million dollars. He is vice president of the American Federation of Arts, the leading national art organization, and is a member of and a liberal contributor to the Egyptian Exploration Society. On July 26, 1922, Mr. Libbey was signally honored by King Albert of Belgium, who conferred upon him the Belgium Order of the Crown, with rank of commander, in recognition of his great accomplishments. The order is conferred upon those who have distinguished themselves in artistic, literary or scientific work, or in the sphere of commerce or industry. This order has been conferred upon only a few Americans. Mr. Libbey thus receives international honors in recognition of his preeminence in the encouragement of art and in commerce and industry. He has taken a prominent part in the upbuilding of Toledo, particularly with reference to the schools and the development of the civic center and city plan commission. He was elected to the board of education a few years ago by an almost unprecedented vote and to this work he gave his time unstintingly. He was honored with the presidency of the board but declined reelection. The new Edward Drummond Libbey high school in the south end of the city has been named in his honor in recognition of his efforts in behalf of the schools.

A worthy examplar of the Masonic fraternity, Mr. Libbey is a member of Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M.; Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; and Toledo Commandery, No. 7, K. T. Socially he has membership in the Toledo, Country, Inverness and Carranor Hunt and Polo clubs of Toledo, the Sylvania Golf Club of Sylvania, Ohio, the Metropolitan Club, the Lotus Club, the Salmagundi Club, the National Arts Club and the Bankers Club of New York and the Midwick Country Club of Los Angeles, California. He is also a member of the Institute of Social Sciences of New York. Mr. Libbey's residence is at 2008 Scott-

wood avenue. His winter residence is in Ojai, Ventura county, California, where he spends several months. Here as well as in Toledo, in his characteristic manner he has remodeled the little village from the usual unsightly appearance of most of America's villages, into a beautiful little town with Spanish type of architecture, building a civic centre among the beautiful live oaks, a post office and acquiring a large tract of land in the center of the village which he has had improved and dedicated as a public park.

JOHN W. HARBAUER

John W. Harbauer, deceased, founder of The Harbauer Company and its president from its incorporation in 1904 until his death, which occurred August 18, 1917, was numbered among Toledo's substantial business men and highly respected citizens. He was born in Maumee, Ohio, May 10, 1865, and more than thirty-five years ago came to Toledo, where for a number of years he was connected with the Leroux Cider & Vinegar Company. In 1902, however, he established business on a small scale, his enterprise constituting the origin of The Harbauer Company of today, manufacturers of table condiments. From a humble beginning the business has been steadily developed until it is today one of the largest concerns of the kind in the country. It was incorporated in 1904 and John W. Harbauer remained its president to the time of his death, which occurred on the 18th of August, 1917. The Harbauer Company manufactures all kinds of tomato products, vinegars, pickles and a large line of table condiments. The sales are confined exclusively to the wholesale grocery and jobbing trade, being made in carload lots. Each year there are more than two thousand acres of tomatoes and fifteen hundred acres of cucumbers purchased by the company to be manufactured into the products which they send out. The Toledo plant and its numerous branches employ from six hundred to eight hundred people during the harvest season and theirs is one of the cleanest, most sanitary and most modern manufacturing plants of any kind to be found in the entire country. The plant seems to be the last word in building and equipment of this character. It is operated throughout the year and during the busy season there are two shifts in each twenty-four hours, while the output is over ten cars of one thousand cases each per day. The factory can turn out two hundred and forty thousand bottles per day, all labeled and packed ready for shipping, and this represents only the bottle ketchup, for great quantities are also put up in glass jugs and cans for hotel and restaurant trade. A notable feature of the plant is the comparatively few employes necessary, for the machinery is operated automatically. There are thirty or forty girls to each bottling line, turning out an average of ninety bottles per minute per line of ketchup ready for the cases. The machines which constitute the equipment of the factory are the first and only ones of their kind in existence, the work being entirely automatic. Adjoining the Harbauer factory is a prominent glass factory in which are made the great number of bottles used for the packing of ketchup. In the Harbauer factory these bottles are conveyed to the bottling machines, which work on an endless chain or belt plan, and by this the bottles are carried along through a sterilizing process, being washed, cleaned, sterilized and dried, after which they pass through the filler, where they are automatically filled and capped and again



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washed on the outside, dried and packed. When the label is put on them, one movement of the machine places both label and neck-band uniformly and perfectly on the bottle, and the whole operation requires an average of less than one second to each bottle. In order to operate the plant continuously there is put up great quantities of tomato puree in five-gallon tin containers. This puree is the product derived exclusively from whole, red, ripe tomatoes. There is a laboratory in which each run of ketchup is tested, and it must come up to a certain standard before it is bottled. Pickles are brought to the factory in great tanks of brine from the numerous pickle stations which the company maintains in Michigan and other points and there is a vast vinegar plant for making pure apple cider vinegar to the extent of thousands of barrels of this commodity a year, while the box-making, packing and shipping facilities constitute a business in themselves. Something of the immense volume of the business is indicated in the fact that the company uses thousands of dollars worth of spices each year from one importer alone, in addition to large sums that are paid to glass, case and can manufacturers. As an illustration not only of the magnitude of its business in one item of raw material but as well the value of the company to Toledo and surrounding country, it dispenses an average of two hundred thousand dollars in a season for tomatoes alone. This money goes to farmers and gardeners within a radius of twenty miles of Toledo. During the World war The Harbauer Company supplied great quantities of its product to the United States government. The success of this industry reflects great credit upon its management from its inception to the present time, and while John W. Harbauer passed away in 1917, the company has kept abreast with the most advanced and progressive methods known to the table condiment industry.

The present officers of The Harbauer Company are Arthur E. Harbauer, who succeeded his father as president and is also treasurer, and Moses Jacobs, who is vice president and secretary. Both of these gentlemen have had long experience in the business. Arthur E. Harbauer entered it after leaving school, while Mr. Jacobs has had a long and important connection with its growth and development. His activities have had to do largely with the sales management and have been no small factor in the company's success.

WILLIAM WELLS CAMPBELL

William Wells Campbell, one of the well known members of the Toledo bar, was born in Sandusky, Ohio, May 29, 1868, a son of William H. and Emmeline (Allen) Campbell. He was reared on a farm and acquired a public school education, afterward taught school for three seasons and then became a student in Oberlin College, which he attended in the years 1891-92-93. He subsequently read law and was admitted to the bar in 1894. He engaged in the general practice of law at Fremont, Ohio, for a period of seven years and in 1902 he came to Toledo. Here he has since followed his profession with success and his ability has brought him to a creditable position in the ranks of the leading lawyers of the city. He belongs to the Lucas County Bar Association and to the Ohio State Bar Association and his colleagues and contemporaries in the profession entertain for him the highest respect because of his fidelity to the highest ethical standards of the profession. While he was well grounded in the principles of common law when admitted to the bar,

he has continued through the whole of his professional life a diligent student of those elementary principles that constitute the basis of all legal science.

On the 24th of December, 1891, Mr. Campbell was married to Miss Mertie M. Laird of Sandusky, Ohio, and they became parents of three children: Claude Allen, who is now secretary of The Ohio Savings Banks & Trust Company of Toledo; Leota M., the wife of Frank A. Sullivan of Toledo; and Dorothy C. Fraternally Mr. Campbell is connected with the Masons and with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

JOHN HENRY BERKEBILE

John Henry Berkebile is the president of the J. H. Berkebile Company, general building contractors of Toledo, and has long figured prominently in connection with building operations in this city, as he was formerly president and general manager of the Henry J. Spieker Company. Actuated by a most progressive spirit, he has long since advanced beyond the ranks of the many and stands among the more successful few. A large percentage of the finest buildings of this city are monuments to his skill, enterprise and business ability. Mr. Berkebile was born in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, May 23, 1867, his parents being David and Sarah (Stutzman) Berkebile, who were also natives of the Keystone state, whence they removed to Delta, Ohio, in 1871. The father engaged in farming two miles west of Delta and spent his remaining days in that section of the state. His widow now resides at Wauseon, Ohio.

In his boyhood days John Henry Berkebile attended the country school near his father's home and also the Delta high school and in 1887 he came to Toledo, where he entered into active connection with Henry J. Spieker in the general contracting business. The company, which started in a small way, grew to be one of the largest general contracting concerns in the state. The company was organized in 1888 and fine buildings of all descriptions in Toledo were erected by it. These include the great administration building of the Willys-Overland Company, one of the finest business structures in the city; the Ohio building, which is the property of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company; the Toledo Museum of Art, which is the most classic structure, the exterior being of white Italian marble and the roof of solid copper; the plant of the Urschel-Bates Valve Bag Company; the office and plant of the Tillotson Carburetor Company; the plant of the Mountain Varnish & Color Company; the entire plant of the Mather Spring Company; the building of the Simmons Hardware Company; the Toledo Public Library; the Toledo Club building; the Toledo Newsboys' Building theatre; the building of the Toledo Owens Glass Sand Company; various hotels, apartment blocks and schools, residences and notable business structures, all of which stand as monuments to the superior skill and ability of the Henry J. Spieker Company, of which Mr. Berkebile was formerly the president and general manager. He is no longer connected with this company but has organized a business of his own, with his sons as partners, under the name of the J. H. Berkebile Company. He occupied the presidency of the former corporation for seven years, from 1914 until 1921, and he is now president of the newly organized company, in which in connection with his sons he is now conducting a general building and contracting business. He is a man of the broadest possible

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experience and there is perhaps no other resident of Toledo who has been as closely and prominently associated with building operations in this city through the past third of a century or more.

In March, 1892, Mr. Berkebile was united in marriage to Miss Erepta Napier, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orris Napier, and they have become parents of three children: Betty B., born in Toledo in 1892, pursued her early education in the public schools of Toledo, afterward attended Wellesley College of Wellesley, Massachusetts, and took a course in dramatic art in the Leland Powers School of Boston, Massachusetts. She was also a student in Simmons College of Boston and is now a resident of Denver, Colorado; the second of the family, John Clifford Berkebile, was born in Toledo, December 10, 1896, and after attending the high school here continued his education in the Howe Military School. He is now associated in business with his father. He married Gertrude Hughes of Port Clinton, Ohio, and they have become the parents of two children, John Clifford, Jr., and Betty. Orris N. Berkebile, the youngest of the family, was born in Toledo, June 27, 1898, also attended the Scott high school and then entered the University of Pennsylvania, in which he pursued a scientific course, being graduated in 1921. He is also with his father in business. He enlisted in the United States navy at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and is now an ensign of the United States Naval Reserve.

Fraternally Mr. Berkebile is a Mason, having taken the degrees of both York and Scottish Rites up to and including the consistory degree, and he is a Shriner. He belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, to the Merchants & Manufacturers Association and to the Disciples church. His life has ever been characterized by high and honorable principles and actuated by a most commendable purpose. Starting out in life empty-handed, he has steadily worked his way upward. Not only has he been connected with many of the most important building projects of the city but as the architect of his own fortunes he has builded wisely and well. He may truly be called a self-made man, deserving all the praise which the term implies, for it has been through the development of his powers that he has reached the present high position which he occupies in the business circles of his adopted city. His residence is on River road.

FRANK L. FARMAN, M. D.

Since coming to Toledo Dr. Frank L. Farman has made continuous progress in the field of professional service, and earnest effort, determination and ability have enabled him to establish his position among the successful physicians of the city. He was born in Chicago, Illinois, December 25, 1885, and is a son of John Henry and Anna (Sweeney) Farman, the former a native of England and the latter of Illinois. When five years of age the father was brought to the United States by his parents, who settled in Illinois, and he was reared and educated in that state and in Indiana. He later became a contractor and builder, which business he successfully followed for many years. He is now retired and he and his wife are living in Toledo. They became the parents of three children but the subject of this review is the only one now living.

Frank L. Farman was a pupil in the grammar and high schools of Indianapolis, Indiana, and later entered the medical department of the University of Indiana, from

which he was graduated in 1912. He afterward served as interne at the City Hospital of Terre Haute, Indiana, and at the General Hospital of Cleveland, Ohio. From Cleveland he came to Toledo, and was a member of the staff of the Toledo State Hospital serving as assistant superintendent, which position he left to enlist for service in the World war. He is a member of the medical staff of Mercy Hospital and his practice is a large and growing one. He subordinates all other interests to the demands of his profession and does everything possible to perfect himself in his chosen vocation.

Dr. Farman was commissioned a first lieutenant in the World war. He was sent to Camp Sherman and remained in the service for a year, receiving his discharge in 1919. He is a member of the Toledo Automobile Club and his professional relations are with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He holds to high ideals in his professional activities and is devoting his life to the welfare of his fellowmen.

BASIL BUTHEWAY BRIM, M. D.

Dr. Basil Butheway Brim, a man of versatile talents, is recognized as one of Toledo's leading physicians and in the field of business he has been equally successful, establishing his position among the foremost realtors of the city. He was born at Woodville, Ohio, April 8, 1880, and his parents were James Jeffreys and Elizabeth (Butheway) Brim. The mother was a native of England and when eleven years of age she came to the United States with her parents, who settled in Ohio, in which state her marriage occurred. The father was born in Woodville and on reaching manhood he took up the occupation of farming, which he followed in Sandusky county, Ohio, for many years. His demise occurred at Toledo on the 26th of December, 1914, when he was seventy-five years of age. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war, enlisting in the Union army, and for four years he served as a sergeant under General William Tecumseh Sherman. The mother passed away at Woodville in 1906, when sixty-three years of age. They had a family of four children: Charles, deceased; Mrs. Myrtle Campbell, whose home is situated at the corner of Sylvania and Commonwealth avenues in this city; Mrs. Maude Bushnell, a resident of Woodville; and Basil B.

Basil Butheway Brim acquired his early education in his native city, finishing his high school training when sixteen years of age, after which he took a preparatory course in Woodville Academy. The next two years were spent as a student at the Lutheran Seminary and he then entered the Toledo Medical College. He was graduated from the medical department of the University of Maryland, in 1902. In 1903 he located in West Toledo, which was then a village on the outskirts of the city, and as the years have passed his practice has steadily grown as he has demonstrated his ability to cope with the intricate problems which continually confront the physician in his efforts to restore health and prolong life. In 1913 he took postgraduate work at Harvard University, for he has never lost the attitude of a student toward his profession. He is visiting physician at the Mercy and East Toledo hospitals and holds to high standards in his professional labors.

Seeing the possibilities for development in West Toledo, Dr. Brim made extensive investments in land, which he improved and placed upon the market, and

during the period of his identification with real estate interests he has laid out the following subdivisions: Baltimore Heights, Silver Creek, Commonwealth, Chestnut Hills and the Brim addition to Trilby. He replatted part of the Collinsdale addition and is now developing his seventh subdivision. He has sold five hundred and fifty-eight lots and his operations are conducted on an extensive scale. His judgment is rarely at fault concerning the value of real estate and its possible rise or diminution in price and in development projects he has not only studied present needs and conditions but has looked beyond the exigencies of the moment to the opportunities and possibilities of the future. The force of his personality and the keenness of his insight have brought him to a position of leadership in real estate circles of Toledo and his work has been of signal service and benefit to the city.

At Washington, D. C., on the 11th of January, 1902, Dr. Brim was married to Miss Bertha T. Justice, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rusher Justice of Accomac, Virginia, and they have one child, Dorothy Deane, who was born January 20, 1911, and is attending school. For a number of years Dr. Brim filled the office of health officer of Washington township, Lucas county, and during the World war he was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps. He was stationed at the Base Hospital at Camp Greene, North Carolina, and later was transferred to Camp Hancock, Georgia, remaining in the service for six months. He keeps in touch with the onward march of the profession through his connection with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Tri-State Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Society. For the past five years he has been a member of the Toledo Real Estate Board and he is also identified with the Toledo and West Toledo Commercial clubs, the West Toledo Business Men's Club, the West Toledo Gun Club and the Toledo Automobile Club and he is also a member of Central Grove Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Dr. Brim is a tireless worker and has ever been actuated by the spirit of enterprise and determination which never allows him to stop short of the successful accomplishment of anything he undertakes. His ability has won for him high standing in his profession and his activities in the real estate field have been a direct agency in the improvement and upbuilding of the city. His residence is at No. 1119 Sylvania avenue.

FRANK HAMILTON GEER

Frank Hamilton Geer, member of the well known law firm of Geer & Lane, is one of the prominent members of the Toledo bar, where he has been engaged in active practice for nearly twenty-five years. He was born in Lucas county, Ohio, November 6, 1869, and is a son of Amos W. and Mary E. (Lloyd) Geer, the former a farmer by occupation.

Frank H. Geer pursued his education in the schools of his native county and of Toledo and entered upon the study of law in the office of King & Tracy, who directed his reading until his admission to the bar in March, 1899. He practiced alone for a number of years, making steady and substantial progress in his profession and had become well established in his chosen life work when in 1914 he entered into partnership with Joseph W. Lane under the firm style of Geer & Lane. Mr. Geer is attorney for the Commercial Savings Bank & Trust Company, the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, and a number of other corporations, and to a large extent has specialized in corporation law. He has always

remained a student of legal principles, broadening his knowledge by reading as well as by experience.

On June 2, 1897, Mr. Geer married Miss Mary E. Summerskill, now deceased. He lives at 2553 Glenwood avenue, Toledo, with his three daughters, Ruth, Gertrude and Gratia.

He was president of the Toledo Bar Association in 1918 and 1919. When the United States was organizing its man power into an army in connection with the World war, with the cooperation of the attorneys and judges of Lucas county, he conducted an organization at the courthouse which prepared and assisted with over forty-five thousand affidavits and questionnaires for registrants and their dependents. During the war he was also a member of one of the legal advisory boards. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and all Masonic bodies, is president of the Social Service Federation of Toledo, a warden of St. Mark's Episcopal church and a trustee of the Toledo Y. M. C. A. In 1918 he was chairman of the Lucas County Republican campaign committee and in 1920 an alternate to the Republican National convention at Chicago.

FRANCIS JOSEPH GRASSER

Francis Joseph Grasser was born in Hochfelden, Alsace, February 14, 1828, a son of Anton and Margaret (Wernert) Grasser. Desiring to escape the influences of militarism as practiced in Germany, he came to America in 1848. He had acquired his early education in his home town and started out in the business world by learning the carpenter's trade. He did not find it congenial, however, having no natural talent in this line, so he went to a brewers' school in Strasburg and also another at Nancy, learning the brewing business in all of its phases.

With his arrival in the new world in 1848, Mr. Grasser made his way to New Orleans, where he remained for two and a half years, working in a brewery until yellow fever broke out, when he made his way northward to St. Louis. He spent two years in that city and then removed to Cincinnati, where he resided for an equal time. On the 1st of August, 1854, he accepted employment in the brewery of Kohler & York of Toledo, which afterward became the Buckeye Brewery, and there he remained for two and a half years. On the expiration of that period he purchased the building at Nos. 715 to 719 Michigan street and there started the Grasser Brewery, thus embarking in business on his own account. This was later sold to the firm of Lang & Stetter and in company with Henry Brand he organized the brewery carried on under the firm style of Grasser & Brand, of which he was manager. Under his very capable and businesslike control the business grew to great proportions and yielded very satisfactory profits. The plant was located on St. Clair street, at the corner of Williams, and there Mr. Grasser continued in business until about 1905, when after more than fifty years of activity in this field he retired and the Grasser interests were a part of the merger forming the Huebner Toledo Breweries Company, at which time Edward J. Grasser was elected to the board of directors and later vice president of the corporation.

On the 6th of December, 1853, Francis Joseph Grasser was united in marriage to Barbara Scharf and they became parents of two children: Anton, who is now living retired at No. 155 Amherst Drive. He married Amanda Pressler of Toledo, and they had four children, Walter, Violet, Dorothy and Bessie; and Mrs. Rosa

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Hoffmann, the wife of Emil Hoffmann of the Alaska Fur House of Toledo. Their three children are, Emily, Rose and Frederick. Mrs. Grasser passed away in August, 1869. On the 28th of April, 1870, Mr. Grasser was married to Christine Pressler, by whom he had five children: A. Christine, who remains at home; Edward J., who married Jessie Martin, daughter of Thomas Martin of Toledo, and died September 13, 1920, leaving one daughter, Irene; Katharine L., the wife of William F. Meister; E. Augusta, now Mrs. Arthur G. Im Oberstag of the Home Realty Company of Toledo; and Joseph M., who is president and general manager of the Grasser Motor Company, situated at the corner of Sixteenth street and Madison avenue. He married Jean Klemmer of Detroit, Michigan, and they have three children: Elizabeth, Christine and Jean.

Mr. Grasser was long actively interested in public affairs in Toledo and at one time was a trustee of the waterworks board. In that connection he was instrumental in infusing business methods into the control of the waterworks and this resulted in stopping the deficit and putting the system upon a paying basis. The effect was secured by making the people pay for all the water they used. Mr. Grasser belonged to the German Pioneer Association, also to the Toledo Maennerchor and to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was very prominent among the citizens of German birth or descent in Toledo and had wide influence among them. Politically he was not bound by party ties, voting always for the man who subscribed to the highest ideals and cleanest principles in citizenship.

On the 28th of April, 1908, Mr. and Mrs. Grasser celebrated the thirty-eighth anniversary of their wedding and on the following afternoon he passed away quite suddenly while reading his daily paper. He was a most honorable, upright man, honest in all business dealings, and was sincerely mourned. His family is well known in Toledo and attends the Lutheran church of this city. The family residence is at No. 2630 Broadway, Mr. Grasser completing the home in 1888.

BARNEY J. HEIN, M. D.

Dr. Barney J. Hein, a member of one of the pioneer families of Toledo, is specializing in orthopedic surgery and the success which he has already won as a medical practitioner proves that he has selected the vocation best suited to the development of his talents and the exercise of his powers. He is one of Toledo's native sons and was born April 23, 1889, of the union of Gustave and Anna (Huetmann) Hein, the former a native of Denmark and the latter of Germany. About 1870 they came to the United States, establishing their home in Toledo, and the father entered the employ of the Wabash Railroad Company, with which he was connected for forty-three years. His faithfulness and efficiency won him advancement and for a considerable period he had charge of the coach department of the road but is now living retired in this city, at the age of seventy-six. The mother passed away in 1911, when sixty-three years of age. In their family were four children: Gustave A., a well known druggist of Toledo; and George J., Amanda and Barney J., all of whom are residents of this city.

In 1908 Dr. Hein was graduated from the Central high school of this city and his professional training was received in the Toledo Medical College, which conferred upon him the M. D. degree in 1912. After spending a year as house

physician at St. Vincent's Hospital he began the practice of his profession as a member of the firm of Heath, Selby & Hein and this association has since been maintained. Dr. Hein has devoted much time to study and in 1914 took a post-graduate course in the Harvard Medical School. He attended the clinics of the New York Post Graduate School in 1916 and completed a course at the Massachusetts General Hospital of Boston in the following year, thus preparing himself for the practice of orthopedic surgery, in which he specializes. He has developed expert skill in that branch of medical science and is connected with the orthopedic departments of St. Vincent's Hospital and also of the Flower and Lucas County Hospitals of this city.

At Chattanooga, Tennessee, on the 14th of December, 1917, Dr. Hein was married to Miss Helen Striggow, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Striggow, members of a well known Toledo family, and they have become the parents of three children: Ned Barney, who was born in 1918; Lorene, born in 1920; and Jean, born in 1922.

Dr. Hein is a veteran of the World war. In August, 1917, he was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps and was called into active service September 26, 1917. He was sent overseas and on December 1, 1917, was placed in charge of the orthopedic department of the Evacuation Hospital. In March, 1918, he was commissioned a captain in the Medical Corps and he remained abroad for a year, being connected with Base Hospitals Nos. 9 and 114 and Evacuation Hospital No. 5. He participated in several major operations, at the battles of Aisne-Marne, Oise-Aisne, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne and Ypres-Lys, and after receiving his discharge returned to Toledo, where he resumed his professional activities. He is a member of the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and is also deeply interested in the industrial progress of his city, which he endeavors to promote through his connection with the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Lions Club, which is devoted to Americanism and stands for loyalty to country, community and home, and he is also a prominent Mason, having taken the thirty-second degree in the consistory, while he is likewise connected with the Grotto. Natural talent, acquired ability and earnest effort have brought Dr. Hein to an enviable position in medical circles of Toledo and in every relation of life he measures up to the highest standards, being a young man whom to know is to esteem and admire.

HARRY COX HASSETT

Intense and intelligently directed activity brought Harry Cox Hassett, merchandise broker of Toledo, now deceased, to a notable point of success in connection with the business interests of his native city. He was born February 21, 1874, a son of James B. and Sarah (Cox) Hassett. He had no special opportunities in his youth but when fourteen years of age started out in the business world by securing a position as office boy with Albro Blodgett, a merchandise broker. He was an indefatigable worker and possessed a commendable ambition. He continued for a number of years with Mr. Blodgett, and so rapid was his rise in this connection that after ten years he was enabled to purchase Mr. Blodgett's interest in the company and from that time on under his guidance the business steadily

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grew and developed until it became one of the largest of the kind in this section of the country. During the war the trade of the house assumed extensive proportions and even during the period of readjustment since the war there has been little diminution in the volume of patronage. Because of his faithfulness and conscientious devotion to business, combined with his capability and power, Mr. Hassett steadily advanced and with his admission to the firm the name was changed to the Blodgett-Hassett Company. Later, upon the retirement of Mr. Blodgett, it became the Harry C. Hassett Company and under that title operations have since been carried on. This business was Mr. Hassett's pride. He gave to it the closest attention, and the tremendous strain which he put upon himself in connection with the management and control of the business through times of stress greatly undermined his health. In the meantime he had extended the scope of his activities by entering still other commercial fields and was also vice president of the Sinclair Manufacturing Company, while at one time he was vice president of The J. M. Bour Company.

On August 27, 1897, Mr. Hassett was united in marriage to Miss Matilda Lagen and they became parents of two children: Roxena Lillian, who is a graduate of the Smead School for Girls in Toledo and afterward attended the Mount Vernon Seminary at Washington, D. C.; and Harry C., Jr.

A number of civic and business organizations profited by the enterprising spirit and association of Mr. Hassett. He was a stanch republican in his political views and never neglectful of the duties and obligations that devolved upon him in his citizenship relations. He held membership in the Collingwood Presbyterian church and was a popular member in the Toledo, the Inverness and Country clubs, the Upper Yacht Club, the Lower Yacht Club and in the Elks Club. In 1918 he was chosen president of the Merchandise Brokers' Association of the Middle West and so served until his death.

Not in years has Toledo's business community received such a shock as came with the news of the death of Mr. Hassett on the 13th of October, 1921, the immediate cause of which was the mental and nervous breakdown that resulted from the tremendous responsibilities which he carried in connection with the notable growth of the business during the war period. A number of business and civic organizations with which he was affiliated and in the circles of which he was universally esteemed, passed resolutions of sympathy and condolence. To his family was sent the following: "We, the merchandise brokers of Toledo, wish to express to you, Mrs. Hassett, and to your family, our deepest sympathy in the irreparable loss which you have sustained in the death of your beloved husband and father. We, who came in almost daily contact with Harry and knew him best in his business life, appreciated him for his fine and honorable manhood and his high ideals. He was more than a business friend to us, and in our business associations he was generous and kind, always mindful of the success and happiness of his fellowman. We therefore share with you in your great bereavement and mourn for one who was in every way worthy of our respect and highest regard. We know not the ways of our Heavenly Father, but we firmly believe in that all-abiding faith wherein it is written: 'We shall find happiness and eternal peace with the ones we so dearly love in the paradise of God.'"

A group of intimate friends of Mr. Hassett expressed their feeling concerning him as follows: "It is hard to realize that Harry Hassett is gone. We who have met him daily in his office, on the street, at his club, on the golf links and at his home, expect to see him as we always have and it comes with a distinct shock that

he is no more. Harry Hassett was an energetic, shrewd, straightforward business man. His judgment was quick and sure and generally right. He was prompt in his social and business engagements. If he agreed to be at a certain place at a certain time he was there without fail, and everybody that knew him could depend upon him. He was charitable in the extreme and there was never a case of want put before him but that he was ready to do his full share. He was honorable and trustworthy and his friends were legion. In the death of Harry Hassett, Toledo has lost a good citizen, the business world has lost a good business man, his friends have lost a good friend, his family have lost a loving husband and father. May he rest in peace."

Beautiful and well deserved was the tribute paid by his pastor, who said: "The news of the death of Mr. Hassett has certainly touched all our hearts. His generous heartedness had won for him a host of friendly business associates. The pastor personally wishes to acknowledge a number of well remembered kindnesses rendered to him by Mr. Hassett, and to bear his testimony as to his sterling worth as a man, as a citizen and as a Christian gentleman."

CARLETON MOREY BAUMGARDNER

Carleton Morey Baumgardner is a member of the wholesale firm of Baumgardner & Company. Upon leaving the University of Michigan he entered the firm in which the other members of his family were interested. Mr. Baumgardner began his work in the hosiery department and is now a member of the firm.

Carleton M. Baumgardner is the son of Edson W. and Frances Mary (Langan) Baumgardner, who are mentioned at length elsewhere in this work, and is one of three children, all of whom were born in Toledo. The other two members of the family are Frank L. and Edson L. Baumgardner. After attending the public schools of his native city Mr. Baumgardner completed his education in the Detroit University School and the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. In the latter school he was initiated into the brotherhood of the Psi Upsilon fraternity. Entering the firm of Baumgardner & Company in 1916, he has been working with that organization ever since, with the exception of the time he spent in service during the World war. Founded in 1866, the establishment of Baumgardner & Company, wholesale dealers in dry goods and notions, has enjoyed nearly sixty years of growth and prosperity, now holding a place among the largest concerns in the city. After mastering all of the subordinate details of the business Mr. Baumgardner was admitted to membership in the firm and is now associated with other members of his family in the control of the company.

Among the early enlistments in Toledo was that of Carleton M. Baumgardner for service in the World war. Joining Battery B, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Field Artillery, a Toledo unit, in September, 1917, he served with such ability that he was transferred to the Officers Training Camp at Camp Taylor to take the course of instruction. On the 13th of November, 1918, he received his commission as second lieutenant. The armistice having brought the hostilities to a close, Lieutenant Baumgardner was honorably discharged from the army in December of 1918.

On the 7th of April, 1920, Mr. Baumgardner was united in marriage to Miss Agnes Dodge, and they have become the parents of one son, Carleton Morey

Baumgardner, Jr. In political affairs Mr. Baumgardner gives his support to the republican party and he is a member of the Toledo Club and the Toledo Country Club.

PAUL T. GAYNOR

Paul T. Gaynor, whose successful professional career was foreshadowed in his graduation from the University of Michigan as honor man of his class, was born in Lowell, Massachusetts, on the 3d of June, 1887, and is a son of John J. and Josephine L. (Connor) Gaynor. He obtained a public school education in his native city and in the schools of Toledo, Ohio, having accompanied his parents on their removal from New England to this state. Later he determined upon the practice of law as his life work and in preparation therefor matriculated in the University of Michigan, being graduated from its law department in 1912, with the LL. B. degree. He was honor man in his class, which numbered two hundred and seventy members, and the thoroughness with which he applied himself to his studies and the mastery of the principles of jurisprudence has indicated a marked characteristic of his practice which has brought to him substantial success. He has continued in general law practice throughout the intervening period, covering an entire decade, and within this time he has gained a good clientage connecting him with much important litigation.

On the 16th of August, 1916, Mr. Gaynor was married to Miss Helen Blinn of Toledo and they have many friends in this city, while the hospitality of their home is greatly enjoyed by those who know them. Their religious faith is that of the Catholic church and Mr. Gaynor is also connected with the Knights of Columbus and the Elks, being exalted ruler of Toledo Lodge, No. 53, B. P. O. E. He is likewise a member of the Commerce Club and is interested in all those forces and plans which have to do with the city's upbuilding, development and the maintenance of high civic standards.

THOMAS E. BURGESS, M. D.

Dr. Thomas E. Burgess, engaged in the general practice of medicine and surgery at Toledo, displayed the elemental strength of his character by providing the funds necessary for his college training, and conscientious service and ability have won him marked success in his professional career. He was born in County Wicklow, Ireland, October 4, 1866, and is a son of William and Mary Ann (Earl) Burgess, also natives of the Emerald isle. The father came to the United States in 1865 and a year later the mother joined him in this country. They first located in Lenawee county, Michigan, and later established their home on a farm in Fulton county, Ohio, on which they lived for many years. The father made many improvements on his land, which he converted into a valuable and productive farm, on which he is now residing at Seward, Ohio. Although eighty years of age, he is still vigorous and active, being able to accomplish as much work as a man of forty, and the mother also enjoys good health. In their family were seven children, namely: Thomas E.; Mrs. Mary Jane Nevitt, Adolphus and Rebecca,

all of whom are deceased; William, of Cortland, Ohio; Lyman Harrison, whose home is also at Seward, this state; and Mrs. Carrie Belle Prentiss, a resident of Napoleon, Ohio.

Thomas E. Burgess attended the district schools of Fulton county and afterward became a student at the Northwestern Ohio Normal School, from which he was graduated. In order to acquire the money for his medical course he devoted two terms to teaching and then entered the University of Michigan, which conferred upon him the M. D. degree in 1892. His first professional experience was gained at Ashley, Indiana, where he maintained an office for two years, and since 1894 he has been a resident of Toledo. He utilizes every opportunity to broaden his knowledge and promote his efficiency and has taken postgraduate work at Chicago, Illinois, and also at Ann Arbor, Michigan. He puts forth earnest effort in behalf of his fellowmen and has been accorded a large practice in recognition of his professional skill. Foreseeing the continued growth and development of the city, Dr. Burgess invested his capital in real estate soon after locating here and as the years have passed his property has greatly increased in value.

On the 27th of February, 1899, Dr. Burgess was married to Miss Luretta Donahue, a daughter of Sylvester and Katherine Donahue of this city, and they have a son, William Thomas Burgess, who was born in February, 1909, and is attending the Monroe school. Dr. Burgess is liberal in his political views, voting for the man whom he regards as best qualified for office without considering party ties. His fraternal connections are with the Masons and the Knights of Pythias and professionally he is identified with the Academy of Medicine of Toledo & Lucas County, the Ohio Medical Society, the Northern and Tri-State Medical societies and the American Medical Association. He is a self-made man whose entire career has been actuated by a spirit of progress that has been productive of substantial results and his professional colleagues accord him a position of prominence in his chosen vocation.

WALTER S. MILLER

Walter S. Miller, president of The Walter S. Miller Company, photo-engravers, manufacturers of printing plates for all advertising purposes, lithographers and printers, is one of the prominent younger business men of Toledo. He was born in Dubuque, Iowa, on the 8th of October, 1888, son of Jacob F. and Caroline (Seigrist) Miller.

Mr. Miller was educated in the public schools of Dubuque and finished in Chicago, to which city his family later removed. He gained a thorough practical knowledge of photo-engraving through experience, coming, in 1911, to Toledo, as district manager of a Chicago firm. He subsequently organized The Walter S. Miller Company, of which he has been president since its inception. Mr. Miller has builded around him an organization that stands high among the enterprises of its kind in the country. He possesses a thorough knowledge of each phase of the business. The growth of the business has been remarkable and the extensive patronage it enjoys is the strongest advertisement for the quality of the product and the effectiveness of the personal service. The company's plant is located at Nos. 14-16 North St. Clair street, is modern in every detail and equipped with every facility that present-

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day methods afford to create and render a superior class of workmanship and product. The Walter S. Miller Company has introduced many features into the scope of its service that were new to Toledo, among them being the four-color process plate, which has become indispensable to those who have recognized its infinite superiority over other types.

On the 26th of March, 1913, Mr. Miller was married to Laura Casey Geddes, the daughter of Frederick L. and Kate R. Geddes of Toledo. Mr. Geddes is senior member of the law firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau and Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have three children: Kate Rosebrough, Caroline Seigrist and Laura Casey Geddes.

Mr. Miller has an active interest in all things relating to the welfare and progress of Toledo. He is a member of the Commerce Club, the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club, the Toledo Club and the Country Club. He resides in Perrysburg, where he has one of the most attractive homes on the river.

CLARENCE A. DYE

To know when and where to use his powers and just what opportunities to embrace is often the salient feature which carries the individual beyond his fellows and enables him to become a power in his chosen field of activity. This has been the secret of the success of Clarence A. Dye, whose business career has been marked by continuous advancement, and as vice president and general manager of the Adamson Company he is directing the affairs of one of the large wholesale men's jewelry firms in Toledo. He was born in Wyandot county, Ohio, February 4, 1884, and is a son of Winfield S. and Effie Jane (McClellan) Dye, also natives of this state. The father has devoted many years to the occupation of farming and is now a resident of Warsaw, Indiana. To Mr. and Mrs. Dye five children were born: Cloyd L., who is living in Riverside, Illinois; Robert, Mrs. O. S. Kirschner and Mrs. James L. Redman, all of whom are residing in Seattle, Washington; and Clarence A.

Clarence A. Dye attended the public schools of Prairie Depot, Ohio, and the Tri-State College of this city and after completing his course in the latter institution he became the bookkeeper for the Toledo Transfer Company, with which he remained for two years. He then secured a similar position in the establishment operated by the Lion Dry Goods Company, but left its employ at the end of two years to become shipping clerk for the W. B. Geroe Produce Company, continuing with that concern for a year. His next position was that of bookkeeper for the Acme White Lead & Color Works and subsequently he acted as a salesman for six years. On the expiration of that period he became connected with the Adamson Company, which was organized in 1913, and from a small beginning has grown to an enterprise of large proportions. They conduct a wholesale jewelry men's business and also handle novelties, their location being at 142½ North St. Clair street. Mr. Dye is serving as vice president and general manager of the firm and displays initiative, sound judgment and executive ability in the control of the business, keeping it not only in line but rather in the lead of the progressive undertakings of this character.

On the 19th of August, 1908, Mr. Dye was united in marriage to Miss Drusilla Troup, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Troup of Wyandot county, Ohio, and

they have two children: Clarence M., who was born in 1909 and is attending the Harvard grammar school of Toledo; and Martha, who was born in 1915 and is also a pupil at that school. Mr. Dye is a member of the Men's Apparel Club of Ohio and his religious faith is indicated by his affiliation with the Park Congregational church of this city, while his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a self-made man who has depended upon his own efforts for advancement, and well defined plans and purposes have carried him steadily forward until he now ranks with Toledo's foremost representatives of mercantile interests, while his integrity has ever remained unquestioned.

KARL PESSEFAL ASCHBACHER

Karl Pessefal Aschbacher, secretary of the Swan Creek Lumber & Supply Company of Toledo, has had long experience in connection with the lumber trade, working in this way for many years. Thus he has gained intimate and comprehensive knowledge of the lumber business and is well qualified for important duties that devolve upon him in his present connection as a factor in the further upbuilding of the trade of the company. Mr. Aschbacher is a native son of Ohio, his birth having occurred at Defiance, March 7, 1886, his parents being Charles Frederick and Theresa (Pessefal) Aschbacher. The father came to America from Germany in the year 1865 and in Ohio devoted his attention to merchant tailoring, remaining a resident of this state until called to his final rest.

Karl P. Aschbacher was a student in the public schools of his native city and afterward pursued a business course in the Defiance College. In young manhood he filled the position of assistant secretary to Timothy T. Ansberry, member of congress from the Defiance district, acting in that capacity for about eight months. He left his native city in February, 1908, to go to Kansas City, Missouri, where he accepted a stenographic position with the C. J. Carter Lumber Company and thus gained his first intimate knowledge of the lumber trade. He continued there until December, 1908, after which he was employed by the Doniphan Lumber Company at Kensett, Arkansas, from January, 1909, until April, 1910. His next position was that of salesman and assistant sales manager with A. W. Stickle, who was general sales manager of three lumber companies. Mr. Aschbacher remained in that connection at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, from April, 1910, until July, 1913, and at the latter date entered the employ of the Swan Creek Lumber & Supply Company of Toledo, Ohio, as a salesman and estimator. In February, 1915, he was advanced to the position of manager and was elected secretary of the firm in January, 1916, since which time he has continued in official connection with the business. Since becoming identified with the Swan Creek Lumber & Supply Company in 1913 he has remained continuously with the corporation save for a period of five months, from September, 1914, until February, 1915, when he was in the employ of the American Column & Lumber Company of St. Albans, West Virginia. In March, 1921, he also became the general manager of the Erie Paint & Paper Company and continues to the present time.

In October, 1912, Mr. Aschbacher was married to Miss Francis Lucille Knapp of Defiance, Ohio, and they have two children: Doris Lucille and Martha Frances. Mr. Aschbacher is well known in Masonic circles, belonging to Barton Smith Lodge, No. 613, F. & A. M., of which he is senior warden; Toledo Commandery,

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No. 7, K. T.; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine and O-Ton-Ta-La Grotto. He is likewise a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and of the Art Museum, associations which indicate his active interest in those forces which make for cultural uplift and civic progress in the city. He is the president of the Toledo Lumbermen's Club, of which he served as secretary in 1917 and 1918, while in 1922 he was called to his present office. From June, 1921, until June, 1922, he was president of the Toledo Advertising Club and from October, 1921, until May, 1922, he was second vice president of the Advertising Affiliation. In June of the latter year he was chosen first vice president of the Advertising Affiliation at Rochester, New York, and he is widely known through his connection with this organization. His business experiences have been wide and varied and steadily he has advanced through the utilization of his opportunities until he is now an official of one of the strong corporate interests of Toledo.

WILLIAM WINDUS KNIGHT

Various are the corporate interests with which William Windus Knight is connected, thus establishing his position as one of the foremost business men of Toledo. He is an official in many enterprises which are notable contributing factors to the development of commercial and manufacturing interests here and elsewhere in the state and at the same time he has ever recognized his duties and obligations in matters of citizenship and at all times has lent his aid and influence on the side of general progress and improvement. Mr. Knight is a native of Indianapolis, Indiana, born on the 10th of February, 1878, his parents being Milton and Marina (Windus) Knight. In the acquirement of his education he completed his studies at Yale University, where he received the Bachelor of Philosophy degree as a member of the class of 1899. He started out in the business world as a clerk with the firm of Reynolds Brothers, grain dealers of Toledo. in the year 1900 and through the intervening period, covering twenty-three years, he has made notable progress. He left the firm of Reynolds Brothers to become secretary of The Bostwick-Braun Company, hardware merchants, in 1904, and throughout the intervening period has continued in this position. Recognized as a man of substantial business qualities, of broad vision and of ready adaptability, his cooperation has been sought in various other fields and since 1905 he has been the treasurer of The Toledo Plate & Window Glass Company and in 1908 was elected to the vice presidency of The Bostwick-Braun Company, in addition to serving as its secretary. In 1911 he was made the treasurer of The W. Bingham Company of Cleveland, Ohio, and in 1912 he became the vice president of The Edward Ford Plate Glass Company.

On the 10th of February, 1904, Mr. Knight was married to Miss Edna Sage Ford, daughter of Edward and Carrie J. (Ross) Ford of this city, and to them have been born five children: William Windus, Jr., Milton, Edward Ford, Samuel Bradford and Elizabeth Ross. Mr. Knight and his family are of the Congregational faith, taking active and helpful part in the church work and his political belief is that of the republican party, of which he has ever been a loyal adherent. He was elected a delegate to the Republican National convention which was held at Chicago, in 1920. He has membership in the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and in

the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce and is in hearty sympathy with the organized efforts of those bodies to upbuild and extend the business relations of the respective cities in which they operate and to uphold all those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. In club circles, too, Mr. Knight is well known, being identified with the leading social organizations of Toledo, including the Toledo, Country, Inverness, Toledo Yacht and the Maumee Yacht clubs, all of this city. He likewise belongs to the Union Club of Cleveland and to the Yale Club of New York. He is a member of the control board of the Community Traction Company and in January, 1922, he was appointed a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland for a term of three years. During the period of the World war he was chairman of the Lucas County Liberty Loan organization and took an active part in all of the Red Cross drives, doing everything in his power to uphold the interests of the government in the cause of world democracy. The family residence is at No. 2215 Collingwood avenue.

GUSTAVE A. HEIN

Gustave A. Hein, one of Toledo's native sons, has always remained a resident of the city, finding here excellent opportunities for advancement, and through their utilization he has steadily progressed until he now ranks with the leading druggists of the city. He was born August 15, 1873, of the marriage of Gustave J. and Anna (Huetmann) Hein, who came to the United States soon after the close of the Civil war, establishing their home in Toledo in 1867. For forty years the father was foreman of the coach department of the Wabash Railroad and he is now living retired in this city, in which he has many friends. The mother passed away in 1912.

After completing his high school training Gustave A. Hein became a college student at Ada, Ohio, completing a course in pharmacy, and he then secured a position with Mr. Fenneberg, a well known druggist of Toledo. He next entered the employ of Andrew Heitzman and later became associated with Thomas Daniels, and still later again with Mr. Heitzman, in whose service he remained until 1902, when he embarked in business on his own account, opening a drug store at No. 1639 Broadway. He is an expert pharmacist and has made a close study of the business in which he is engaged, displaying initiative, enterprise and ability in the conduct of his establishment and adhering to high standards of service in catering to the wants of the public. For twenty years he has remained at his present location and his business has kept pace with the growth of the city because of his well merited reputation for integrity and reliability. The position which he occupies in drug circles of the state is indicated in the fact that he has been honored with the presidency of the Lucas Company Branch of the Ohio Pharmaceutical Association and is now filling that office.

On the 28th of February, 1900, Mr. Hein was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Classen, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Classen, prominent residents of this city. Mr. Hein is deeply interested in the welfare and advancement of his city and has taken an active part in public affairs, representing the thirteenth ward in the common council from 1913 until 1919 and making a most creditable record in that connection. He is a charter member of the local lodge of the Modern Woodmen of America and is also identified with the Knights of

Pythias and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and is a Royal Arch Mason. Diligence and determination have constituted the foundation upon which Mr. Hein has reared the superstructure of success and he is recognized as an enterprising business man and a public-spirited citizen, whose influence is always on the side of progress, reform and improvement.

REV. WILLIAM HENRY BEECHER

Rev. William Henry Beecher, at one time a representative of the ministry in Toledo, was born January 15, 1802, a member of that family which has furnished so many distinguished divines to America. He was a son of the Rev. Lyman and Roxanna (Foote) Beecher, the latter descended from the well known Foote and Ward families of Connecticut. The ancestral line of the Beecher family is traced back to original settlers of New Haven and of Colchester and upon the family record appear the names of many distinguished members, including the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher and Harriet Beecher Stowe.

His father, Rev. Lyman Beecher, likewise a prominent divine, was president of Lane Seminary in Cincinnati and was the father of six well known clergymen.

William Henry Beecher attended Yale College and like other members of the family, became a minister of the gospel. He settled in Newport, Rhode Island, on the 25th of March, 1830, and afterward held pastorates in Middletown, Connecticut, Putnam, now Zanesville, Ohio, at Toledo, at Euclid, now Cleveland, at Batavia, New York, and at Reading and North Brookfield, Massachusetts. He also assisted his father in the conduct of Lane Seminary in Cincinnati. Finally he took up his abode in Chicago, Illinois, where his remaining days were passed.

At Boston, Massachusetts, on the 12th of May, 1830, William Henry Beecher was married to Miss Katharine Edes, a daughter of Isaiah and Anna (Fiske) Edes of Charlestown and of Boston, respectively. The ancestors of the family settled in Massachusetts prior to 1650 and were prominent in the public affairs of the two cities. Rev. and Mrs. Beecher became the parents of six children: Agnes, who became the wife of Edward Herrick Allen; Mary Ward; Lyman; Robert Edes; Roxanna, who became the wife of Carl Preuszner; and Grace Susan. One of the sons and the two sons-in-law served in the Civil war. William Henry Beecher filled but one public office—prior to 1870 he was postmaster of North Brookfield, Massachusetts, being appointed at the request of Charles Sumner. His work in Toledo included the organization of the First Congregational church of the city in 1844 and he served as its first pastor. His death occurred June 15, 1889, in Chicago, when he was in the eighty-seventh year of his age.

FRANK H. NEWTON, M. D.

Dr. Frank H. Newton is one of the leading physicians of Toledo and a representative of a family which for many years has figured prominently in professional circles of the city in connection with the practice of medicine. Preeminently public-spirited, he has succeeded in bringing to Toledo a most important manufacturing enterprise and his course has at all times marked him as a citizen

of worth. He was born at New Straitsville, Ohio, July 5, 1886, a son of Dr. George A. and Annie D. Buchanan (Harthorn) Newton, the former a native of Buffalo, New York, and the latter of Ohio. The father was one of the well known physicians and surgeons of Toledo. He passed away in 1918, when sixty-three years of age. The mother is still a resident of this city. In their family were three children: William C., who is commercial superintendent for the Bell Telephone Company at Columbus, Ohio; George B., who is living in Chicago, Illinois; and Frank H.

In the acquirement of an education Frank H. Newton attended the public schools of Springfield, a private school and Wittenberg College, afterward entering the medical department of the State University, from which he was graduated in 1911. He began his professional career in Toledo and with the passing years his practice has steadily grown as his experience and ability have increased. He has devoted much time to reading and study, keeping in close touch with all new developments along medical and surgical lines. Through the untiring efforts of Dr. Newton the American Medical Products Company of New York, large pharmaceutical manufacturers, have been induced to locate in this city, which offers them splendid railroad facilities. They have purchased the factory of the Toledo Pharmacal Company at Nos. 152-154 Erie street, to which they contemplate adding many improvements, and will use this as a supply base for their middle western territory. This new enterprise will contribute materially to the industrial activity of Toledo and Dr. Newton has been highly commended for the work which he has accomplished in bringing to the city a business of this magnitude.

At Springfield, Ohio, on the 1st of January, 1919, Dr. Newton was married to Miss Alice M. Gerhardt, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Tiffany Gerhardt, the former a native of that city and the latter of Dayton, Ohio. Dr. and Mrs. Newton have had two children but one died in infancy; the other, a daughter, Anna May, was born in Toledo, July 26, 1921. Dr. Newton is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a member of the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical societies and is a fellow of the American Medical Association. Fraternally he is identified with the Loyal Order of Moose. He has done effective service for the public good and his professional ability has gained him the respect of his fellow practitioners and of those to whom he has ministered.

FREDERICK M. DOUGLASS, M. D.

Possessing all the requisites of an able surgeon, Dr. Frederick M. Douglass has already established himself among the leading representatives of his profession in Toledo, although he has not reached the zenith of his powers, being but thirty-three years of age, for his birth occurred at Kalida, Ohio, on the 26th of June, 1890. He is a son of Dr. Curry F. and Katherine (Melvin) Douglass, also natives of this state, and the father was one of the well known physicians and surgeons of Putnam county, Ohio, but now makes his home with the subject of this review in Toledo. Dr. and Mrs. Douglass became the parents of three children: Leon J., Mrs. Zella Roose and Fred M., all of whom are residents of this city.

In 1906 Frederick M. Douglass completed his course in the high school at Kalida, Ohio, and then entered the Toledo Medical College, from which he received the M.

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D. degree in 1911, being the youngest member of the class. The next year was spent as an interne at St. Vincent's Hospital and on the 1st of January, 1913, he became associated with Dr. Julius H. Jacobson as an assistant, being admitted to a partnership two years later. This relationship was continued until the death of the latter in 1918, since which time Dr. Douglass has conducted his professional interests independently, concentrating his attention upon surgical work, in which he has developed a high degree of skill. He has attended many of the leading clinics of the country and is deeply interested in the scientific and humanitarian phases of his profession, of which he is an earnest student. From 1916 until 1921 he was connected with the staff of the Lucas County Hospital and he is now surgeon to St. Vincent's Hospital.

At Detroit, Michigan, on the 3d of November, 1913, Dr. Douglass was married to Miss Ruth R. Jacobson, a daughter of Michael Jacobson and a sister of the late Dr. Julius H. Jacobson of Toledo. Mrs. Douglass passed away February 22, 1921, leaving two children: Katherine Jane, who was born in Toledo in 1915 and is now attending the Smead school; and Frederick Melvin, Jr., born in 1919.

In 1920 Dr. Douglass was made a member of The American Association of Obstetricians, Gynecologists and Abdominal Surgeons, and since 1921 he has been a fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He is also identified with the Toledo, Lucas County and Ohio State Medical societies and the American Medical Association. Fraternally he is connected with the Masonic order and he is also a member of the Toledo Club, the Optimist Club, and the Toledo Automobile Club. In religious faith he is a Presbyterian. He is a young man of high professional attainments whose rapidly expanding powers have placed him with the most successful surgeons of Toledo, and judging from what he has already accomplished his future career will be well worth the watching.

FRANK L. MULHOLLAND

Frank L. Mulholland, senior member of the law firm of Mulholland & Hartmann and one of the leading members of the Toledo bar, was born in Disco, Michigan, April 20, 1875, and is a son of Robert N. and Alice M. (Ostrander) Mulholland. He attended the public schools and later became a student in Albion College, from which he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1896. As a law student he attended the Detroit College of Law and later entered the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1899, with the degree LL. B. He was admitted to the Michigan bar and the bar of Ohio the same year and began practice in Toledo. For a time he was associated with Judge David R. Austin and later formed his present partnership. His high standing at the bar is a merited tribute to his ability. Mr. Mulholland has also extended his efforts into commercial and manufacturing circles and is secretary of the Toledo Auto Fabrics Company and the Haller Baking Company. He is likewise a director of the Union Supply Company, the Ames-Bonner Brush Company, the Lutz-Griffith Company and the Industry Savings and Building Company. His name is also on the directorate of the Fountain Inn Company at Eustis, Florida, and thus various business enterprises have profited by his sound judgment, his keen insight and his unfaltering enterprise.

Mr. Mulholland is also a veteran of the World war, having served with the

rank of captain in the United States army. He was assigned to service with the Red Cross in France, on the 10th of March, 1918, and was on active duty in that connection overseas.

On the 19th of September, 1900, Mr. Mulholland was united in marriage to Miss Maude M. Rutter of Mount Clemens, Michigan, and they have three children: Clarence M., who is attending the University of Michigan, law department; Marion A., who graduated from the Ward-Belmont School, Nashville, Tennessee, in 1923; and Margaret C. Mr. Mulholland is well known as a member of all the Masonic bodies and is a prominent figure in club circles, belonging to the Toledo Yacht Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the Epworth Club. He is likewise connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, but it is perhaps through his association with the Rotary Club that he is most widely known. He has membership in the Rotary Clubs of London, Edinburgh and Liverpool, England, and of Toledo and was president of the International Association of Rotary Clubs in the year 1914-15. He also served at one time as president of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the Toledo Art Museum, and has been made an honorary member of the National Credit Men's Association. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and he was a nominee for congress from the ninth Ohio district in 1916. In 1910 he was made a trustee of the Toledo University and filled the position for two years. He is treasurer of the International Society for Crippled Children. His interests and activities are indeed broad and varied and his cooperation is considered a most valuable asset in connection with the successful control and management of every enterprise with which he has become associated. He occupies a high position in legal circles, as a business man, as a Rotarian and in other connections, his standards being high and his activities at all times of resultant character.

RANSOM EARL ANSTED

Business interests of Toledo find an active and energetic representative in Ransom Earl Ansted, who under his own name is conducting an extensive business as a wholesale dealer in butter, eggs, cheese, lard, sausage and margarine, his place of business being at Nos. 7 to 11 North Huron street. Throughout the period of his connection with business interests Mr. Ansted has been active along this line. He was born on the 2d of September, 1884, in Temperance, Michigan, and is a son of Louis and Marietta (Hayden) Ansted. The father was engaged in the creamery and dairy business and through family association R. E. Ansted early gained a knowledge of those lines of commercial activity. He was educated in the public schools and in 1897 attended the Fulton school of Toledo. As a boy he entered the sales department of a creamery and later he engaged in selling butter and similar commodities at retail for a time. In 1908 he turned his attention to the wholesale butter business, which he established under his own name, and subsequently other food and produce lines were added, until the business is now one of the largest of its kind in Toledo, something of its volume being indicated in the fact that he employs in the neighborhood of twenty people and sells only to the wholesale trade. He maintains high standards in the quality of goods which he handles and his extensive business has been built up largely through quality, service and clean business methods. In addition to his commercial inter-

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ests at Toledo, Mr. Ansted is also the owner of a modern stock farm of one hundred and forty-six acres situated about four miles from Maumee and known as "Monclova." There he breeds and raises thoroughbred Holstein-Friesian cattle and maintains one of the finest herds in the state, at the head of which is King Korndyke Abbekirk Prilly. In 1922 the cow Ivaloy Prilly Rose Hall, from Mr. Ansted's herd, headed her class at the Ohio State Fair in Columbus, being senior grand champion milk cow of Ohio among Holsteins. Stock from "Monclova" is sold largely to high-class breeders throughout the country.

On the 18th of August, 1909, Mr. Ansted was united in marriage to Miss Grace Tait of Toledo and they have a daughter, Dorothy Grace. Mr. and Mrs. Ansted are well known in Toledo, where they have gained many friends, and Mr. Ansted occupies an enviable place in business circles. He has membership with the Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Automobile Club.

MAURICE ALLEN

Maurice Allen is a member of one of the best known law firms of Toledo—that of Smith, Baker, Effler, Allen & Eastman. He was born in Seoul, Korea, June 22, 1886, a son of Dr. Horace N. and Frances Ann (Messenger) Allen. He was educated under private tutors until 1899 and then entered St. John's Military School at Manlius, New York. He studied under private instruction in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1903 and 1904 and with his return to the United States entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Boston and was there graduated with the S. B. degree in 1908. Having determined upon law practice as his life work, he then matriculated in the University of Michigan and received his J. D. degree upon graduation with the class of 1911. His training has been thorough, and earnest effort, close application and the exercise of his native talents have won him prestige at a bar which numbers many distinguished members. His practice is now extensive and of an important character. He belongs to both the Toledo and Ohio State Bar associations.

On the 15th of November, 1911, Mr. Allen was married to Miss Mildred Barton Smith of Toledo, daughter of Barton Smith. Mr. Allen belongs to the Delta Kappa Epsilon and Sanford L. Collins Lodge No. 396, F. & A. M., and is also prominently known in club circles, having membership in the Toledo and Country clubs, his personal qualities making for popularity wherever he is known. He is likewise identified with the Chamber of Commerce.

EDWARD A. ZORN

Edward A. Zorn has for the past nine years been the successful manager of the Temple Theatre of Toledo and is also a director and secretary of the company. His birth occurred in Huron county, Ohio, on the 7th of December, 1887, his parents being John B. and Mary L. (Anthenen) Zorn, the former born in Europe, while the latter is a native of Ohio. Crossing the Atlantic to the United States in early life, John B. Zorn opened a tonsorial parlor at Monroeville, Ohio, where he is still active in business, at the ripe old age of seventy-six years, being

one of tne best preserved men in Huron county. His wife is also living. They were the parents of four children, as follows: Elmer L., who was killed at El Caney, Cuba, during the Spanish-American war; Mrs. Leo J. Cook, a resident of Monroeville, this state; Mrs. Charles L. Smith, who is deceased; and Edward A., of this review.

The last named obtained his education in the public schools of Monroeville and after putting aside his textbooks learned the barber's trade, at which he worked in association with his father in Monroeville. Attracted to the motion picture industry, he established the Princess Theatre in that town but subsequently disposed of this in order to come to Toledo. Here he opened the Temple Theatre in August, 1914, and has since managed the same most successfully. The house enjoys a splendid patronage, for it is modern and attractive in its appointments and affords a high class of entertainment to amusement seekers.

On the 26th of April, 1909, in Toledo, Mr. Zorn was united in marriage to Miss Edith S. Haas, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Haas of Monroeville, Ohio. They have become parents of one child, Edna Jeanette, who was born at Monroeville, February 2, 1910, and is now attending Ursuline Convent of the Sacred Heart in Toledo.

In politics Mr. Zorn maintains an independent attitude, supporting men and measures rather than party. Fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. The prosperity which he has already achieved is attributable entirely to his own well directed efforts, perseverance and sound judgment and his many friends feel that a bright future lies before him. Mr. Zorn resides at No. 2563 Robinwood avenue.

EDMUND TERRY COLLINS

Edmund Terry Collins, one of Toledo's best known real estate men, was born in this city June 12, 1876, a son of Daniel A. and Eva (Terry) Collins. The grandfather in the paternal line, Sanford L. Collins, was the pioneer merchant of Toledo, since which time the family has been closely associated with the upbuilding and development of northwestern Ohio.

Edmund Terry Collins was educated in the public and high schools of Toledo. In 1906 he entered the real estate field and has since devoted his attention to handling Toledo property. Mr. Collins has risen to a prominent position in real estate circles and was honored with the presidency of the Toledo Real Estate Exchange, in which connection he labored largely to standardize the business and introduce the most ethical principles in the conduct of real estate transactions, while at the same time he gave impetus to activity in the field in which he labored. Always an advocate and observer of clean business methods, Mr. Collins has long enjoyed a high class clientele and his judgment on realty values is highly regarded.

On the 7th of November, 1906, Mr. Collins was united in marriage to Miss Martha Wood of Bellevue, Ohio, and they have one son, Edmund Terry, Jr., born in Toledo, May 15, 1911. Mr. Collins is well known through various lodge and other connections. He was the president of the Toledo civil service commission at one time and formerly served as the president of the Kiwanis Club. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He belongs to the Toledo Club, to the Northwestern Ohio Historical Association, also to the

Maumee Valley Pioneer Association and has membership with the Sons of the American Revolution. He is keenly interested in all that pertains to the history of the state and has ever been actuated by a patriotic and public-spirited devotion to the general good. Mr. Collins' residence is at No. 2435 Scottwood avenue.

RAYMOND T. GARRISON

Raymond T. Garrison, admitted to the bar in 1904, has since engaged in the practice of law in Toledo, and in a profession where advancement depends entirely upon individual merit and ability he has made steady progress. He was born in Rochester, Ohio, January 2, 1877, and is a son of George M. and Meda (Jones) Garrison. At the usual age he entered the public schools of his native village and mastered the work of successive grades until he had completed the high school course. Later he became a law student in Baldwin University and subsequently he entered the Detroit College of Law, from which he received the LL. B. degree in 1904. Having thus thoroughly qualified for practice he was admitted to practice the same year in Michigan and Ohio and in 1912 he was licensed to practice in the United States district courts. For a period of eighteen years he has devoted his attention to his professional interests and duties, which have constantly increased in volume and importance until he now has a clientage of a distinctively representative character. He belongs to the Toledo Bar Association and he enjoys the confidence and respect of his colleagues and contemporaries in the profession.

On the 2d of January, 1905, Mr. Garrison was united in marriage to Miss Grace L. Rugg and throughout the period of their residence in Toledo, covering eighteen years, they have enjoyed an enviable social position, having made many friends in this city. Their religious affiliation is with the Memorial United Brethren church. Mr. Garrison has never sought to figure prominently in any public relation, preferring to concentrate his energies and attention upon his professional interests, and his devotion to his clients is widely recognized.

CLARENCE E. HUFFORD, M. D.

Although not yet thirty years of age, Dr. Clarence E. Hufford has already won a well established position in his profession and Toledo numbers him among its successful medical practitioners. He was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, February 9, 1893, and is a son of Henry and Amaretta (Davenport) Hufford, also natives of that locality. The father devotes his attention to floriculture and is the owner of large greenhouses near Perrysburg, where he has become widely known, having spent his life in this part of the state.

After completing his course in the Perrysburg high school Clarence E. Hufford became a student at Oberlin College of Ohio, from which he received the A. B. degree in 1916, and he then entered the Western Reserve Medical College, being graduated from that institution in 1920. The ensuing year was spent as an interne at St. Vincent's Hospital and he has since followed his profession in Toledo. He is building up a good practice and is a member of the staff of St.

Vincent's Hospital, while he also has professional connections with Mercy and Toledo hospitals. He thoroughly understands the practical as well as the scientific phases of his work and is deeply interested in his profession, of which he is an earnest student.

Dr. Hufford was married December 26, 1918, to Miss Crystal Carll, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carll of this city. Dr. and Mrs. Hufford have one child, Virginia, who was born November 19, 1920. Dr. Hufford keeps in touch with the onward march of the profession through his connection with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and during the World war he was a member of the Medical Reserve Corps. He is a Congregationalist in religious faith and casts his ballot in favor of the candidates of the republican party at national elections, but when local issues are concerned he votes for the man whom he regards as best qualified for office. In his practice he has displayed a sense of conscientious application that has made his work entirely satisfactory and ability, enterprise and untiring effort are bringing him rapidly to the front in his profession.

J. JACOB WALDVOGEL

J. Jacob Waldvogel, who for twenty-six years has occupied offices in the Gardner building and throughout this period has made steady progress in the practice of law, was born in Haslach, Switzerland, on the 15th of October, 1864, and is a son of Henry and Marie Waldvogel. The father was a millwright by trade and afterward became owner and operator of a flour mill, conducting business in his native country until 1869, when he came to the new world. He continued a resident of this country to the time of his death, passing away in La Fayette, Indiana, in 1919.

His son, J. Jacob Waldvogel, was a little lad of less than five years when the family arrived in the new world and he pursued his education in the public schools of Toledo and graduated from high school at Whitehouse, Ohio, the family home being maintained in the two places during his boyhood days. Starting out in the business world, he became cashier for the American Express Company and later for the Wells Fargo Express Company, remaining with these two corporations for a period of twelve years. It was his desire, however, to enter upon a professional career and with this end in view he became a law student in the office and under the direction of Andrew J. Farquharson, who directed his reading for three years. In December, 1895, he was admitted to the bar and on the 1st of February following he opened a law office in the Gardner building, where he has remained, undoubtedly being one of its oldest tenants. For eleven years he practiced in partnership with Hon. W. H. Tucker but since 1907 has been alone. He has largely specialized in real estate law and in the abstract of title and his skill in this particular field is of extremely high order. He is accounted one of the foremost lawyers of the city, long enjoying an extensive clientage, while his ability has gained him high rank in the profession.

On the 25th of September, 1903, Mr. Waldvogel was married to Miss Pearl O. Wilson of Toledo and they have become parents of a daughter, Helen Wilson, who is a graduate of the Scott high school, attended the Toledo University, and is now a student at Oxford College, Oxford, Ohio. Mr. Waldvogel has ever been

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a man of studious nature and habits and is particularly interested in ancient and modern history and in the languages. His broad and liberal learning has constituted an element in his success as a lawyer, while at the same time it has been a source of great pleasure to him, as he recognizes the fact, which so many do not appreciate, that the keenest joy comes through intellectual stimulus. Mr. Waldvogel is a Mason and is past master of Boaz Lodge, No. 669, F. & A. M., and belongs to Fort Industry Chapter, No. 208, R. A. M., Vistula Council, No. 108, R. & S. M., and has long been a loyal follower of the teachings and purposes of the craft. He also has membership in the Lucas County Bar Association and the National Union Assurance Society. His residence is at No. 1417 Twenty-second street.

WALTER J. LISIAKOWSKI

Walter J. Lisiakowski, a member of a family which was established in Toledo a half century ago, is a man of resolute purpose and marked strength of character who has overcome obstacle and difficulty in his path and pressed steadily forward to the goal of success. He is now living largely retired after many years of active identification with business interests of the city and is the possessor of a substantial competence, gained through untiring industry and honorable methods. A native of Poland, he was born June 15, 1861, and his parents, Joseph and Katherine (Katafiasz) Lisiakowski, were also natives of that country. In 1872 the father emigrated to the United States and after reaching New York city at once made his way to Toledo, where he was joined by his family six months later. He was a blacksmith and continued to follow his trade until his demise, which occurred in this city on the 1st of December, 1904, when he was seventy-three years of age. The mother has reached the age of eighty-three years. There were five children in their family: John, deceased; and Mrs. Wally Wawrzyniak, Mrs. Dorothy Ziolkoski, Frank and Walter J., all of whom are residents of this city.

Walter J. Lisiakowski attended the schools of Poland to the age of eleven years, when he came with his mother to the United States, and for six months he was a pupil in the grammar schools of Toledo. He then secured employment on a farm in this locality, but returned to the city at the end of two years and obtained work at the Milburn Wagon Works, where he remained for three years. He next accepted a position in a lumberyard and continued with that firm until 1900, when he opened a wholesale liquor store at No. 401 Junction avenue, which he conducted successfully until the establishment of prohibition in 1919. Turning his attention to financial affairs, he became one of the organizers of the Opieka State Bank, which he was made cashier, and capably discharged the duties of that office until April 1, 1922, when he resigned. He is a director of the Opieka State Bank, Buckeye Fire Insurance Company and the Maple Baking Company, both of this city, and aided in their organization. He is now looking after his investments, which have been judiciously placed, enabling him to spend his later years in the enjoyment of a well earned rest.

Mr. Lisiakowski was married November 27, 1882, to Miss Katherine Zmudzinski, a daughter of Joseph and Frances Zmudzinski of this city, and they have become the parents of ten children, namely: Mrs. Dorothy Bartecki of Toledo, who is a widow and has a son, Stephen; Mrs. Andrew Jankowski, who also resides in this city and has become the mother of a son, Andrew, Jr.; Rose F., who is

unmarried and is still at home; Joseph, who wedded Miss Stella Koralewski of Toledo, by whom he has a daughter, Eleanor Koralewski; Frank, who volunteered for service in the World war and for eighteen months was stationed overseas, being attached to the transportation department of the Thirty-second Division; Anthony, who also enlisted for service in the World war and was assigned to duty at Washington, D. C., and Newport News, Virginia; Edmond; Clementine, a graduate of the Woodward high school; and Clemons and Edwin, both of whom are attending the public schools of Toledo. All of the children are residents of the city and acquired their education in the local schools.

In October, 1922, Mrs. Bartecki and Miss Rose F. Lisiakowski established a dry goods and notion store at 401 Junction avenue, the firm being Lisiakowski Sisters.

Mr. Lisiakowski is a communicant of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic church and a member of St. Joseph's Society, the St. Stanislaus Society and the Polish National Alliance. He is deeply interested in everything pertaining to the welfare and advancement of the city which has been his home from the age of eleven years and is a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He is a self-made man who has fought and won in the great battle of life. He began his business career at a salary of two dollars per week and in order to arrive at the place of his employment he was obliged to walk many miles each day, but the hardships of his youth served only to strengthen his determination. With him the recognition of opportunity has ever been equivalent to the performance of a task and he is now the owner of valuable real estate in the city, being recognized as one of the leading representatives of Toledo's Polish colony.

JOHN JAMES WATSON

John James Watson, a landscape architect of Toledo of high professional attainments and with large clientage, was born in Onancock, Virginia, April 26, 1874, and is a son of Joseph Brindall and Georganna (Johnson) Watson. The father was a wholesale druggist but is now living retired, making his home in Baltimore, Maryland. The son was educated in the public schools and in the University of Maryland, in which he completed his more specifically literary course. He also studied in the law department there and was graduated with the class of 1900. He was admitted to practice in the court of appeals a year after his initial admission to the supreme bench of Baltimore city and for three years he devoted himself to the practice of law. In the meantime, however, he studied city planning and landscape architecture and in fact, had given much attention thereto for a number of years. He was extremely fond of the subject and turned his attention to the work as a profession in 1903. He has laid out the grounds of Ottawa Hills, Homeville, Bancroft Hills, Indian Hills, Rodnor Park, Mayfair Park, Hampton Park, Chevy Manor, Immergrin, Catawba Cliffs at Catawba Island, Lake Erie, and Orchard Beach. His work likewise includes the landscape architecture of Inverness, Toledo, the estate of William Hardee on the river at Toledo, Maple Grove, the grounds of the Maumee Library and also work in the city of Lima, Ohio, Bryan, Ohio, Port Huron, Michigan, and other city planning contracts. His activities have reached a high degree of skill and efficiency in his chosen field of labor. He laid out the grounds of the Country Club and of

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the Toledo University and the beauty of the city has been greatly enhanced through his efforts. His love of color, his delight in design, his ready recognition of effects possible to produce and his broad study, training and experience have made him one of the foremost landscape architects in this part of the country. In connection with his business he conducts a small nursery for experimental purpose of growing plants, evergreens and trees in this climate.

On the 1st of December, 1895, Mr. Watson was united in marriage to Miss Irene Tippett of Baltimore, Maryland, and they have become the parents of four children: Margaret, who is the wife of Merrill N. Pheatt of Toledo; Nancy Lewis; Betty Caroll; and Bayard Tippett, who died on the 25th of March, 1921, at the age of twenty-one years.

Mr. Watson is well known in club circles, belonging to the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. Along the line of his profession he belongs to the American Association of Engineers and the City Planning Institute. He is well known in Masonic circles, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, while with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. He makes the beneficent spirit of Masonry a workable principle in his life and at all times he commands the respect, confidence and esteem of his fellowmen.

HON. HORACE NEWTON ALLEN

A well known American business man traveling through Korea—a man who had never manifested any particular interest in religious work—said: "I can imagine no greater joy than to have money enough to send missionary after missionary into Keora, for I realize just what they are doing for the country and its people." It was to this work that Dr. Horace Newton Allen devoted many years of his life, going to that country as a medical missionary. Since 1906 he has made his home in Toledo, honored of all men by reason of his noble character and what he has accomplished in promoting the world's good. His life story had its beginning in Delaware, Ohio, April 23, 1858, his parents, Horace and Jane (Riley) Allen, having become pioneers of that section of the state. Ethan Allen, the hero of Ticonderoga in the war for independence, was his grand-uncle, while his mother's father also served in the Revolution.

Reared in his native state, Horace Newton Allen was graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware with the class of 1881 and then matriculated in the Miami Medical College, from which he obtained his professional degree in 1883. In the year in which he completed his literary course he wedded Frances Ann Messenger, who was also one of the alumni of the Ohio Wesleyan University of 1881 and who is descended from the Messenger family that was of English lineage and was established in Connecticut in 1630, several of its representatives also aiding in the cause of American independence. Immediately after the completion of his profession course Dr. and Mrs. Allen started for the Orient, the doctor having been appointed medical missionary to China by the Presbyterian church. They lived at Nanking and Shanghai, being in the latter city when it was attacked by the French in 1884 and they were obliged to flee for refuge on the night that their first son was born.

Immediately after Korea had been opened by treaty Dr. Allen went to Seoul and secured entrance to the country under appointment as physician to the Ameri-

can legation, as missionaries were not then allowed to reside in Korea. He arrived in the capital city on the 20th of September, 1884, and was present during the emeute of December of that year when the Chinese drove the Japanese from the land. Through his surgical skill he saved the life of Prince Min Yong Ik as well as the lives of a number of Chinese and natives. In recognition of the value of his service in this connection he was, in addition to the usual emoluments, given a hospital and equipment by the government and was made court physician. He was also appointed by the British, Japanese and Chinese governments as medical officer to their respective legations. A contemporary writer speaking of his life of service in the Orient said: "His intimate relations with the royal family as court physician led to his becoming the unofficial adviser to the Korean government. In this capacity he took an embassy of twelve natives to Washington in 1888-89 and established a legation there in the face of most strenuous opposition from the Chinese government, as the object of this establishment was to demonstrate the complete independence of Korea from China. Yuan Shi Kai, Emperor of China and then Chinese minister to Korea, led in this opposition, but it did not sever the ten years' intimacy of the two, even though the mission was entirely successful in its object. In 1890 Dr. Allen was appointed secretary of the American legation in Korea, and he was charge d'affaires for a year, in 1893-4. While secretary of the legation he took a commission and an exhibit to the Columbian Exhibition at Chicago in 1893. In 1897 President McKinley promoted him, without leaving his post, to be minister resident and consul general, and in 1901 he was promoted to be envoy-extraordinary and minister-plenipotentiary to the Korean court. He was also envoy of the United States government to the Korean coronation in 1902, and was twice decorated by the Korean emperor.. He left Korea in July, 1905, at the close of the Japan-Russian war, the legation being soon after reduced to the grade of a consulate general under Japan. Dr. Allen was actively connected with the Korean government for twenty-one years, or practically the entire period of the country's independence—in securing which independence he had played an important part. He was present during three wars —the conflict between China and Japan in 1884, as well as the great war between these two powers for the possession of Korea in 1894, and the war between Russia and Japan for the same purpose in 1904-05. For sympathy and aid during these times of trial he was given the highest honors and decorations the little kingdom had to bestow. Owing to the unique position of trust and influence he held with the royal family and the ruling classes he was able so to promote American interests that they were paramount in Korea prior to the taking over of the country by the Japanese as the result of their success in the war with Russia. Thus it was that Americans built the first steam and electric railways as well as electric lighting and power plants. The fine waterworks system for the capital was built and operated by Americans, who also built the first real wagon roads in Korea. Americans opened up and continue to operate the rich gold and copper mines of the country, while American kerosene was (and is) the illuminant of the people and general imports of merchandise from America made a most creditable showing. In each case these several enterprises were founded upon and made possible by concessions obtained by Dr. Allen from the Korean government—often in the face of strenuous opposition from rival nations."

It was during his residence in the Orient that the two sons of Dr. and Mrs. Allen were born: Horace Ethan, the elder, born in Shanghai; and Maurice, in Seoul, Korea. Both were graduated from St. John's Military Academy at Man-

lius, New York, and after a year of study in Switzerland were graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1908. The younger son also completed a course in the Michigan State University at Ann Arbor as a law student in 1911. The elder brother married Lydia, daughter of O. S. Brumback of Toledo, and is now engaged in the practice of mechanical engineering. Maurice Allen wedded Mildred Barton Smith, the only daughter of Barton Smith, with whom he is engaged in the practice of law.

Dr. Allen by reason of his long residence in Korea has been able to make valuable contribution to the literature concerning that country. His published writings include: Korean Tales, which appeared in 1889; A Chronology of Korea's Foreign Relations, published in 1900 and a supplement in 1903; Korea, Fact and Fancy, published in 1904; and Things Korean, published in 1908. He is also the author of several articles which have appeared in the North American Review and other publications and he has been frequently heard on the lecture platform before scientific bodies, in several of the larger cities and universities of the United States. In 1911 his Alma Mater conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws. He belongs to the Phi Beta Kappa, the Authors Club at London and in Toledo has membership with the Toledo, Toledo Country and Commerce clubs. He is also identified with the Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, in which he has served as president. He is an honored resident of Toledo, one who has done much to advance the world's progress and one with whom association means expansion and elevation.

LEON STANISLAUS TALASKA, M. D.

Dr. Leon Stanislaus Talaska, a prominent Polish physician and citizen of Toledo, where he is occupying the position of assistant city physician, was born in Bay City, Michigan, June 28, 1875, and is a son of Frank and Josephine (Napierala) Talaska, both of whom were natives of Poland, whence they came to America in early life. They established their home in Bay City in 1870 and there the father engaged in various lines of work, removing with his family to Toledo in 1897. Here he passed away in 1914 and is still survived by his widow.

Leon S. Talaska, an only child, attended the parochial schools of Bay City and afterward entered the Toledo Medical College, from which he was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1898. He has since constantly engaged in practice here and his progress has been continuous. He has served as assistant city physician and in addition to his official duties has cared for a large private practice which has constantly grown in volume and importance. He keeps abreast with the trend of modern professional thought, progress and investigation through his membership in the Academy of Medicine, in the Toledo and Lucas County Medical societies, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

On the 25th of October, 1905, Dr. Talaska was married to Miss Balbina Hoppa. They have become parents of two children: Frank, born in Toledo on July 25, 1907, and now a junior in the high school; and Leocadia, who was born on May 10, 1911, and is also in school.

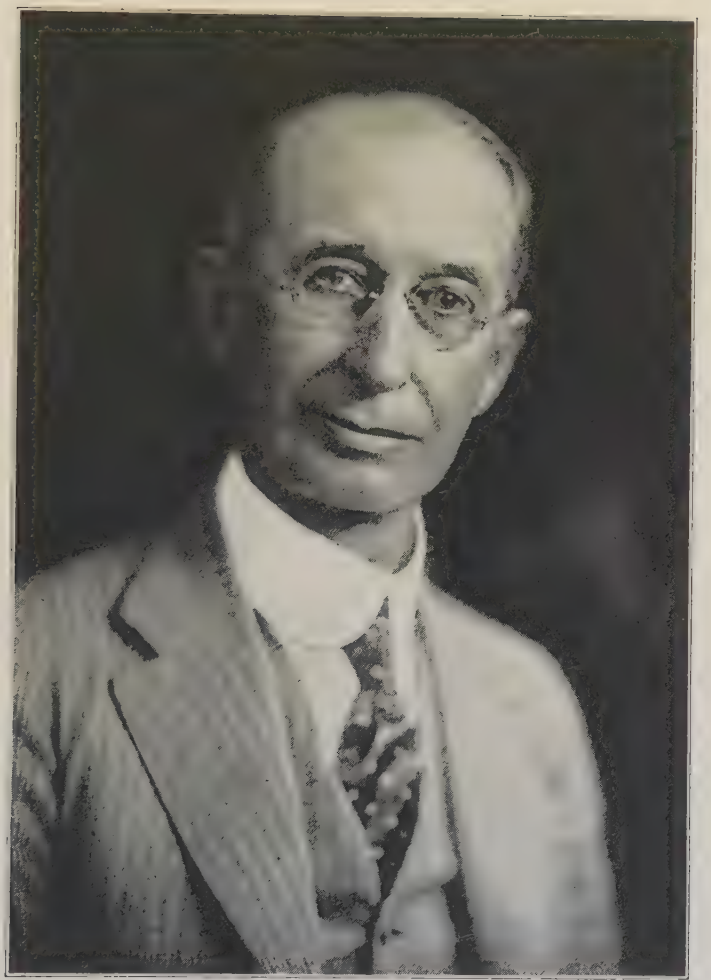
During the World war Dr. Talaska was a member of the fourth district medical board. He belongs to St. Anthony's Roman Catholic church and he also has member-

ship in the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the latter connection being indicative of his interest in public affairs and indicating his support of all those plans and projects which are instituted for the benefit of the city, for the upbuilding of its trade relations and the advancement of its civic standards. He is a member of the Polish National Alliance, the Polish Falcons, Polish Roman Catholic Union of Ohio, and numerous other local societies. He has spent the greater part of his life in Toledo and is well known here, having many friends who have been gained through social as well as professional connections. In 1921 he rebuilt his pleasant home at No. 714 Junction avenue, where he has lived since 1905.

JOHN WILLIAM BANTING

To know when and where to use his ability and just what opportunities to embrace is often the salient feature that carries the successful man beyond his fellows and enables him to become a power in his chosen field. John William Banting, who possesses this quality in a notable degree, is specializing in the manufacture of farm machinery and the importance and scope of his interests have not only placed him in a position of leadership in industrial circles of Toledo, but have also made his name well known to agriculturists in many parts of the world. He was born in Ottawa county, Ohio, August 6, 1858, and his parents were Carlos Cornelius and Eva (Stadler) Banting, the former a native of the north of Ireland and the latter of Baden, Germany. In 1854 they came to Ohio and the father devoted his attention to the occupation of farming, continuing to cultivate and improve his land until his demise, which occurred at Elmore, this state, in 1881. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war, joining the Third Ohio Cavalry, and he remained in the service during the entire period of hostilities. The mother passed away March 12, 1908. In their family were four children: Carlos C., an executive officer of the Banting Manufacturing and Banting Machine companies; Emma V. and Lucy, who are still residing at Elmore, Ohio; and John W., who is the eldest in the family.

John William Banting acquired his education in the country schools of Ottawa county, Ohio, and he obtained his initial experience in his present line of business through selling farm machinery direct to the agriculturists of Ottawa county. In 1882, when twenty-four years of age, he opened a store at Elmore, Ohio, for the sale of hardware and farm implements and this constituted the nucleus of the large business of which he is now the head. He continued to operate his interests at Elmore until 1900, when he sold out and on the 1st of January, 1901, came to Toledo, having organized the Banting Machine Company in the fall of the previous year, but the business did not get under way until January 1, 1901. On the 1st of January, 1915, the Banting Manufacturing Company was organized and Mr. Banting is president of both concerns, of which his brother, Carlos C. Banting, is secretary, while J. F. Sanders is vice president. They make the famous Greyhound type of farm machinery, which they sell direct to farmers, and their implements are used extensively by agriculturists in the United States and Canada, there being a particularly large demand in the grain-growing districts. They manufacture threshers for grain and beans, hay presses, steam tractors and other farm machinery and their plant is the only one of the kind in Toledo. They maintain a selling agency in South America and are about to



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establish a branch in South Africa, their ramifying trade interests extending to many parts of the world. Mr. Banting combines keen sagacity and breadth of vision with superior executive ability and has the power of concentration which enables him to give all of his thought to the matter in hand and he thus brings to bear all of his forces upon the accomplishment of his purpose. His labors have been manifestly resultant and an extensive productive industry stands as a monument to his initiative spirit and powers of organization.

At Elmore, Ohio, on the 23d of August, 1886, Mr. Banting was married to Miss Anna Jane Ferris, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ferris of that place, and they have become the parents of a son, Robert Banting, who was born at Elmore, May 19, 1887. He acquired his education in the district schools of Ottawa county, Ohio, and the Toledo high school and is now associated with his father in business, being treasurer and manager of the Banting Machine Company, located at No. 820 Jefferson street. He married Miss Laura Nellis of this city and they have two children: Virginia, who was born in 1914 and is attending the public schools; and John Bloomington, born January 6, 1918, in Toledo.

In his political views John William Banting is independent, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations, and in civic work and progressive endeavor he does his part as a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and is also connected with the Toledo Club, the Rotary Club, the Inverness Club and the Izaak Walton Fishing Club, which has recently been organized. He finds his chief recreation in fishing and golf. He has fought life's battles unaided and has risen to a position of pre-eminence in the business world. His is the record of a strong mentality, stable in purpose, quick in perception, swift in decision, energetic and persistent in action, and Toledo is proud to claim him as a citizen. His home is at No. 2521 Parkwood avenue.

GEORGE P. KIRBY

George P. Kirby has for more than forty years been identified with the Toledo bar. Continuing in general practice he tries all kinds of cases and tries them well and has long enjoyed a good clientage. He is a native of New York, his birth having occurred in the city of Troy, August 9, 1858, his parents being Peter and Charlotte (Bernard) Kirby, both of whom were natives of England, whence they came to the new world in early life, establishing their home in the Empire state.

George P. Kirby pursued his early education in the public schools of his native city and was a young man of nineteen years when in 1877 he came to Toledo. Here he entered upon preparation for the practice of law and after thorough, comprehensive and preliminary training was admitted to the bar in May, 1881. Since that time he has continued in general practice here and earnest efforts, close application and the development of his native powers have gained for him a creditable position at the bar that has numbered many prominent representatives. An excellent presence, an earnest manner, marked strength of character, a thorough grasp of the law and the ability accurately to apply its principles make him an effective and successful advocate and a wise counselor. He has been the general counsel of the National Union Assurance Society since July, 1906.

On the 26th of March, 1883, Mr. Kirby was united in marriage to Miss Kate F. Krieger and they have become parents of two children: George P. and Paul B. Mrs. Kirby died May 11, 1916. Mr. Kirby is a member of the Unitarian church and interested in all those forces which make for the uplift of the individual, for civic righteousness and for general progress. Fraternally he is both a York Rite and Scottish Rite Mason and be belongs to the Toledo Club.

SEWELL W. BECKLEY

Among the large business enterprises which are important factors in Toledo's commercial activity and prosperity is the wholesale tea and coffee house of the Blodgett-Beckley Company, of which Sewell W. Beckley is vice president and general manager. He has had broad experience along business lines and the success which is now attending the operations of the company is largely due to his untiring efforts and administrative ability. Mr. Beckley was born in Bedford county, Pennsylvania, December 11, 1872, and his parents, George W. and Susan (Wendell) Beckley, were also natives of the Keystone state. The father was a successful agriculturist and became the owner of one of the well improved and valuable farms of Bedford county. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war and his demise occurred in 1920, when he was eighty-four years of age. The mother survives him and has reached the age of eighty-two. In their family were five children: William, Manford, Mrs. Mary Sutter and Mrs. James Mickle, all of whom are still living in Pennsylvania; and Sewell W.

In the acquirement of an education Sewell W. Beckley attended the district schools of Bedford county, Pennsylvania, and the Lock Haven Normal School of that state, after which he taught school for a term. He was sixteen years of age at that time and one of the youngest teachers in the state. He then secured a position in a grocery store conducted by James Sutter, starting with a salary of eight dollars per month, which included his board. He remained with Mr. Sutter for three years, during which period he rose to the position of manager and buyer, doing valuable work in promoting the success of the business, and at the time of his resignation was the highest salaried employe of the company. When nineteen years of age he became a traveling salesman for the H. J. Heinz Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, well known as the manufacturers of fifty-seven varieties of pure food products, and for fourteen years he was identified with that firm, winning promotion to the position of general road manager. In the fall of 1905 he came to Toledo and became associated with the Bour Company, wholesale dealers in tea and coffee. In 1912 the business was reorganized, at which time the present style of the Blodgett-Beckley Company was adopted, and the subject of this review became sales manager and vice president, while since 1920 he has been first vice president, manager and general sales manager, one hundred and twenty-five road salesmen being under his charge. Thoroughness in everything he undertakes is one of Mr. Beckley's outstanding characteristics and he has closely studied every phase of the business, visiting the tea- and coffee-growing countries and thus gaining a comprehensive knowledge of the various processes employed in preparing for the market the products handled by the house. This knowledge he has imparted to his salesmen, who are thus enabled to present their line of goods more intelligently and effectively, resulting in a

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large increase in the volume of trade. He keeps in close touch with what is being done in all departments and has succeeded in maintaining a high degree of efficiency in the operation of the business, which has greatly prospered through his well-directed efforts. The activities of the company are conducted on an extensive scale and theirs is one of the largest undertakings of the kind in this section of the country. In addition to their Toledo house they also maintain establishments at Cincinnati, Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio; Detroit, Michigan; Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Indianapolis, Indiana; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Buffalo, New York; Louisville, Kentucky; and Minneapolis, Minnesota; and in Kansas City, Missouri, they operate a branch roasting and distributing plant.

At Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on the 10th of May, 1894, Mr. Beckley was married to Miss Gertrude Masters, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Masters, prominent residents of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Beckley have two sons: Harold, the elder, was born in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, in 1898, is a graduate of one of the high schools of Toledo, and is now associated in business with his father. He married Miss Gertrude Simon of Toledo, and they have a son, Harold Beckley, Jr.; Raymond Beckley, who was born in Johnstown in 1903, also completed a high school course in Toledo and is now connected with the Landman & Griffith Automobile Company of this city.

Mr. Beckley is fond of all outdoor sports and amusements, particularly of horseback riding, and is the owner of a fine saddle horse. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He has membership with the Toledo Commerce Club and is also connected with the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. He is likewise identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and in Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree in the consistory. He is a self-made man who fully deserves the honor that is accorded the fortunate individual who has fought and won in the great battle of life and he has made his labors count as a forceful factor in promoting the business interests of his city as well as in the attainment of individual prosperity.

JOHN CUMMINGS

John Cummings, who long figured prominently in connection with the wholesale shoe trade and also in banking circles in Toledo, passed away in this city July 1, 1921. He was a leading and progressive business man and prominent citizen and through an extended period had contributed to public progress and upbuilding here. He was born May 6, 1831, in Lagrange county, Indiana, a son of Robert and Mary Cummings. His education was acquired in the country schools and he assisted his father in the development of the home farm during his boyhood and youth. He was eighteen years of age when in 1849 he started for California, attracted by the tales concerning the discovery of gold on the Pacific coast. He had varied and interesting experiences in the west, becoming a representative of the pony express there in carrying the government mails and also acting as a member of the vigilantes committee. With money earned on his western trip he came to Toledo and here he entered the wholesale shoe house of the W. W. Griffin Company. He thoroughly acquainted himself with the business, worked his way steadily upward and in time became one of the owners

thereof, the store being conducted later by the R. & J. Cummings Company, of which he was one of the partners. Their ramifying trade relations reached out to various sections of the country and their business steadily grew and developed under the careful direction of John Cummings and his associates in the undertaking. He also entered banking circles, becoming president of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company, and he was likewise a director of the Blade Printing & Paper Company. His interests and activities thus were broad and varied and his labors were an important element in the continued business expansion and growth of Toledo.

In 1863 Mr. Cummings was united in marriage to Miss Carrie Sinclair, a daughter of John and Mary Sinclair of Monroe, Michigan. They had three daughters: Cora and Kittie, (twins), the first named of whom died in infancy, and Kittie married Morrison W. Young, but is now deceased; and Elizabeth is the wife of Silas Cornell Walbridge of Toledo.

Mr. Cummings was a lover of the out-of-doors and greatly enjoyed hunting. He became a charter member of the Cedar Point Gun Club and whenever opportunity permitted he made his way into the open. He was also a lover of horses, greatly enjoyed racing and was one of the promoters of the Tri-State Racing Association. He held membership in the Toledo Club and at all times his life was actuated by his belief in the teachings of the Presbyterian church, in which he long held membership. He had reached the venerable age of ninety years when death called him. One could not mourn for him as for an individual cut off in the prime of life or the heyday of youth. His career was as the day with its morning of hope and promise, its noontide of activity, its evening of completed and successful effort terminating in the rest and quiet of the night. He played well his part, he achieved his purposes and the interests and activities of his life were at all times well balanced. To an unusual degree he enjoyed the respect, confidence and goodwill of all who knew him and many of his associates still warmly cherish his memory.

REV. R. LINCOLN LONG, D. D.

Rev. R. Lincoln Long, a distinguished divine of Toledo, is pastor of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and a strong moving force for moral progress in his community. He is a native of the south, his birth having occurred at Henderson, Kentucky, April 15, 1888. His parents were A. R. and Savina (Osman) Long, who were natives of Pennsylvania, the birth of the father occurring in Franklin county and that of the mother in Schuylkill county, and in early life they went to Kentucky, whence they removed to Freeport, Illinois. There the father engaged in the practice of dentistry and subsequently he followed his profession in other cities, winning success in his chosen vocation. After his death the mother came to Toledo, where she spent her remaining years, passing away on the 25th of December, 1921. Two children were born of their union.

R. Lincoln Long is the only surviving member of the family and his public school training was received at Freeport, Illinois. He then attended Winona Academy of Indiana and afterward became a student at Lake Forest College, near Chicago, Illinois, from which he won the A. B. degree in 1912. He next entered the McCormick Theological Seminary at Chicago, Illinois, and was

ordained to the ministry in 1915. His first charge was at Paulding, Ohio, where he was stationed until 1918, filling the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church. In the early part of 1918 he came to Toledo as assistant to Rev. Samuel Charles Black, religious educator and pastor of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church. Soon afterward Dr. Long received from Washington & Jefferson College the degree of Doctor of Divinity, and on returning to this city in 1919 he was appointed to his present pastorate as Dr. Black's successor, in which connection he has charge of one of the largest and wealthiest congregations in the city. His desire to uplift mankind has found expression in organized and systematic effort and under his able guidance the influence of the church is constantly broadening, while his undoubted sincerity and devotion to his work have won for him the esteem and affection of those to whom he administers religious instruction.

At Camp Point, Ohio, on the 2d of September, 1915, Dr. Long was married to Miss Reva Henry, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Henry, prominent residents of that place, and they have three children: Dorothy Martha, who was born at Paulding, Ohio, June 10, 1916; Robert, who is also a native of that place, his birth occurring November 14, 1918; and Caroline, who was born in this city August 16, 1920.

Dr. Long is deeply interested in both the material and spiritual welfare of Toledo and is an earnest member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member and one of the trustees of the Kiwanis Club and a Knights Templar Mason, while in the Scottish Rite Consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. He is a logical thinker, a clear and convincing speaker and a man of scholarly attainments whose powers and talents have been a leavening force in making high ideals a tangible asset in the daily affairs of life.

CLAUDE ALLEN CAMPBELL

Claude Allen Campbell, one of the best known among Toledo's younger men in banking circles, is the secretary of The Ohio Savings Banks & Trust Company, and was born in Gibsonburg, Ohio, June 4, 1892, a son of William Wells and Mertie (Laird) Campbell. The father is a well known attorney of Toledo.

Claude A. Campbell attended the public schools of Toledo and afterward graduated from Oberlin College, where he not only made an excellent record in his studies but was also prominently known in athletics, winning his letter in baseball, football and track. He likewise made a most creditable record in oratorical contests and in his scholastic work stood at the head of his classes.

In entering on his business career Mr. Campbell turned his attention to the real estate business, becoming connected with the E. H. Close Realty Company. Later he organized the Cambridge Realty Company and specialized in the operation and development of business blocks. As manager of the Ohio Building Company he first became connected with The Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company, later being made manager of its mortgage and loan department. Subsequently Mr. Campbell was advanced to the position of officer in supervision of seven branch banks, and recently was again advanced to his present position, that of senior secretary of the institution. Mr. Campbell's rise has been rapid and his present position with one of the largest financial institutions in Toledo, is the direct result of his capability. Among his other business connections, he is the vice president of

the Southway Realty Company and of the Atlas Building Company. He was formerly chairman of the Toledo Building Owners' Association and president of the State Association.

On the 24th of October, 1914, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Campbell and Miss Jane Gray of Bolivar, New York, whose father was an oil operator there and at that time mayor of the city.

Mr. Campbell belongs to the Toledo Club and to the Inverness Club. He is past president of the Exchange Club, a member of the Toledo Real Estate Board and of the Toledo Builders' Exchange. He has membership in all degrees in the Masonic fraternity and the nature of his interests is further indicated in his connection with the Young Men's Christian Association. In a word, he stands stanchly in support of all those agencies which make for the benefit of the individual and of the community at large, seeking ever to promote the material, intellectual, social and moral progress of both city and state. Mr. Campbell's residence is at No. 3221 Collingwood avenue.

FRED A. CROSSETT

Fred A. Crossett, one of the best known hotel men of Toledo and the middle west, is proprietor of both the Eastwood Hotel and the Hotel Monticello. He displays the qualities of the pioneer in management, inasmuch as he employs initiative resulting in new ideas in the care of the hostelries under his direction. Mr. Crossett is of Canadian birth. He was born at Eastwood, Ontario, January 6, 1886, and is a son of Dr. Andrew and Mary Ann (Bedford) Crossett, the former devoting his life to the practice of medicine. In the public schools of his native country Fred A. Crossett began his education, which he continued later in Ohio, and in early manhood he devoted three years to teaching school. He was afterward connected with the United States weather bureau at Little Rock, Arkansas, for a period of two years and for an equal time engaged in the real estate business in that city. He returned to Toledo in 1909 to enter the real estate business, in which he was engaged for eight years. He turned his attention, however, to hotel interests in 1914, when he became manager of the Madison Hotel, of which he had charge until 1919. In 1918 he opened the Eastwood Hotel, thus engaging in business independently, and in November, 1919, he purchased the Hotel Monticello, of both of which he remains proprietor. He is a prominent figure in business circles here and is the secretary-treasurer of the Toledo Hotel Men's Association and district vice president of the Ohio Hotel Association.

Mr. Crossett was married July 19, 1922, to Miss Helené Esther Brien, a daughter of Dr. Augustus A. E. Brien of Manchester, New Hampshire. By a former marriage Mr. Crossett has a daughter, Dorothy Virginia Crossett, who was born March 26, 1915, in Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. Crossett has membership with the Gideons, with the Ohio Hotel Men's Association, with the Toledo Yacht Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and with the Masonic fraternity, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He is also a Knights Templar Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Izaak Walton League of America and a most enthusiastic angler. In fact, if Mr. Crossett has a hobby, it is his great interest in his recreational pleasures of fishing and hunting. His fishing outfit is one of the most modern and

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complete owned by any Toledo angler and has been recently augmented by a glass cabin cruiser. His hunting equipment is equally complete. He spends several months each year in the hunting and fishing regions of the north. Moreover, Mr. Crossett is identified with the Greeters Association of America and with the Young Men's Christian Association. He is keenly interested in athletics and especially in the work of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. In the foregoing are indicated the nature of his interests and the rules and principles that govern his conduct. He is interested in those forces which make for the uplift of the individual and the benefit of mankind at large and permeated by the spirit of good cheer and kindliness, he sheds around him much of the sunshine of life.

JOSEPH LAMBERT TILLMAN

Joseph Lambert Tillman is the president of the Maumee Malleable Castings Company, controlling two of the important iron and steel manufacturing concerns in the state. James Russell Lowell said that an institution is but the lengthened shadow of a man, and certainly the great plant of the company stands as a monument to the business ability, initiative and progressive spirit of Mr. Tillman, whose indefatigable energy has at no time declined a call to labor or to service. Toledo is proud to number him among her native sons, his birth having occurred March 25, 1866. His parents, Frank and Regina (Johnson) Tillman, were both natives of Belgium and in early life came to America, settling in Toledo, where the father learned the meat business and afterward became a wholesale meat dealer, conducting an extensive and successful enterprise. He died in Toledo in 1905, his widow surviving until 1909. They were the parents of five children: John, Mrs. Theresa Vollmayer, Joseph L., Mrs. Fannie Nagle and Frank.

At the usual age Joseph Lambert Tillman became a pupil in the parochial schools of this city, pursuing his studies to the age of thirteen, when necessity seemed to demand that he start out in the business world. He afterward attended night school to further his education and better qualify for life's practical and responsible duties. In the meantime he secured employment with the Merchants Dispatch & Transportation Company and after a brief period he left that position to enter the employ of the Bostwick-Braun Company, wholesale and retail dealers in hardware, their establishment being now one of the largest of the country. Mr. Tillman's original position with that corporation was in the shipping department and for more than thirty years he remained as a most substantial and faithful employe of the company, working his way upward through various departments and winning promotion from time to time until he was occupying a position of large responsibility. Later, however, he resigned to organize the Buckeye Boiler Skimmer Company, later the Industrial Steel Casting Company, also the Maumee Malleable Castings Company, all of which have become large industries of Toledo, operating extensively and successfully. Mr. Tillman is the president of the Maumee Malleable Castings Company and of the Industrial Steel Casting Company and is president and treasurer of the Buckeye Boiler Company, also president and treasurer of the Wine Railway Appliance Company and secretary and treasurer of the Diamond Theatre Company. His business activities thus cover a wide scope and he has become recognized as a dynamic force in connection with the industrial and commercial development of the city. He brings system and order into all that he

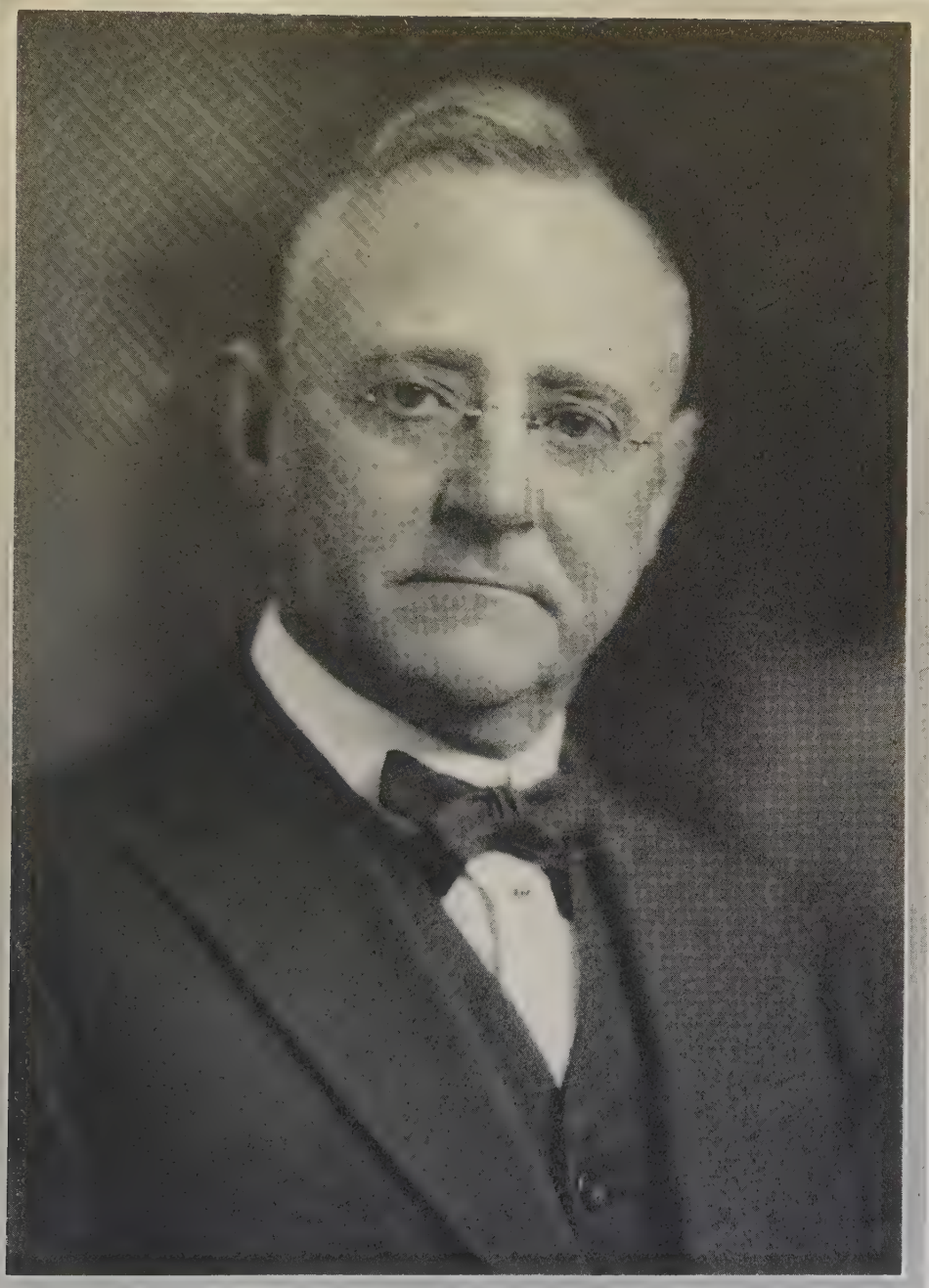
undertakes and his business methods are thoroughly progressive and, moreover, will bear the closest investigation and scrutiny.

On the 25th of November, 1891, Mr. Tillman was married to Miss Katherine Nagelbrecher of Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Nagelbrecher. They have become parents of twelve children: Angela; Ralph, who married Miss Mildred Gessler; Lambert J., who is factory manager with the Wine Railway Appliance Company and is mentioned elsewhere in this work; Theresa, secretary and treasurer of the Adamson Company, wholesale jewelers of Toledo; Mrs. Florence Snyder, who resides in Toledo and has two children, Sally and William; Joseph L., Jr., who was graduated from the University of Notre Dame in Indiana and is now vice president and mechanical engineer of the Industrial Steel Casting Company and who married Miss Hildegard Hering; Cecilia, who is now with the Adamson Company; Raymond L., a student in the University of Notre Dame; Katherine, who was graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1922, has taken up chemistry and nursing at St. Vincent's Hospital, Toledo; Robert, who is attending St. Johns University; and Bernice and Beatrice, twins, who are students in the Notre Dame Academy. The religious faith of the family is that of the Roman Catholic church and Mr. Tillman is a third degree member of the Knights of Columbus, in which he has filled all of the chairs. His political allegiance is given to no political party, he being absolutely independent. He was appointed a member of the new charter commission of the city of Toledo and a commissioner of city planning. He was also made a member of the committee on canal investigation and is doing active work along the line of public service. During the World war he took a most helpful part in promoting all the loans and was chairman of the fifth district draft board. He belongs to the Merchants & Manufacturers Association, is identified with the Art Museum and has membership in the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. The interests and activities of his life are varied, bringing a well balanced development, and there is no phase of substantial city progress that seeks his aid in vain. At the same time he is a resourceful and representative business man, controlling large interests whereon the material growth of Toledo depends. His residence is on River road.

DAVID MAYER KABLE

David Mayer Kable, proprietor of four of the leading lunch rooms in Toledo and treasurer of the General Fireproof Storage Company of this city, has ever manifested a notable alertness and enterprise in the conduct of business affairs and has won a substantial measure of success as the result of his close application and ability. Mr. Kable is a native of Indiana, his birth having occurred in Knox county, that state, February 17, 1866, his parents being James Williams and Mary (Mayer) Kable. The father, who was a farmer by occupation, died in Kansas in 1889.

The youthful days of David M. Kable were spent upon the old homestead farm where he early became familiar with the best methods of tilling the soil and caring for the crops. His educational opportunities were those afforded by the public schools and when his textbooks were put aside he concentrated his efforts and attention upon farm work and so engaged until 1893, when he went to Peoria, Illinois, where he began working in a restaurant and there learned



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the business, spending two and a half years in that employ. On the expiration of that period he opened a restaurant on his own account in Peoria, conducting it for a short time, when he sold out because of ill health. He then purchased a farm in Iowa, where he continued to make his home until 1896, when he came to Toledo, having sold his farm, and here returned to the restaurant business, opening a lunch room, which grew rapidly in popularity and in patronage. He has owned and successfully conducted many lunch rooms from St. Louis to Elmira, New York, and is still the proprietor of four in Toledo, which are liberally patronized by reason of the excellent service rendered and the merited reputation of the cuisine. He also yet owns restaurants in other towns, but has curtailed his business in this connection to some degree. He is now the treasurer of the General Fireproof Storage Company and is making it, as well as his restaurant business, a source of gratifying profit.

On the 15th of October, 1891, Mr. Kable was married to Miss Iva Trimmill, a native of Kansas and they have become the parents of three children: Ama Ethel, the wife of Norman W. Reed of Toledo; Elva, the wife of Clifford H. Brundage of Toledo; and Avo Mary, at home. Mr. Kable is identified with the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church, in which he is serving on the board of stewards and he makes his religion a workable principle in his life. He is also prominently known in club circles, having membership in the Toledo Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, of which he is a life member, the Rotary and the Inverness clubs. He has ever been a man of great activity and energy and his alertness and progressiveness have carried him far on the high road to success, while at all times the sterling worth of his character has been attested by those with whom he has been brought into contact.

JOHN C. HELWIG

John C. Helwig, a native son of Toledo and a member of one of the old and well known families of the city, has been dependent upon his own resources for a livelihood from the early age of thirteen years. Eagerly grasping each opportunity which has come his way, he has steadily advanced until he now occupies a prominent position in business circles of his city as treasurer of the Toledo Builders Supply Company, with which he has been identified for the past thirty-one years. He was born March 15, 1874, and is a son of Fred and Frederica (Krieger) Helwig, who are of European birth. Coming to the United States in 1872, they established their home in Toledo, where they have since resided, covering a period of fifty years, and they are numbered among the honored pioneers of the city. The father secured a position with the Lake Shore Railroad Company, remaining in their employ for many years, but he is now living retired at the age of eighty-four years, and the mother also survives. Four children were born to their union: Mrs. John Vogeli, Mrs. A. Pasch, Mrs. Louis Lempke and John C., all of whom are living in Toledo.

John C. Helwig, the only son in the family, attended the public schools of his native city to the age of thirteen years, when he became a wage earner, filling clerical positions with various firms until his seventeenth year. He then entered the employ of the Toledo Builders Supply Company, starting in a humble capacity and thoroughly mastering each task assigned to him. His ability and devotion to the

interests of the firm won him promotion from one position to another of greater importance and responsibility until he was at length made treasurer, in which office he is now capably serving, doing all in his power to promote the success of the company which he represents.

On the 21st of October, 1897, Mr. Helwig married Miss Elizabeth Vorderbrugge, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Vorderbrugge, well known and highly respected residents of this city. To this union five children have been born: Mrs. Mabel Clark Shaw, who acquired her education in the local schools and is a resident of Toledo; Fred C., who was a member of the Students Army Training Corps during the World war and is now attending the Ohio State University; Addie, a high school pupil; and John H. and Ruth, both grammar school students.

Mr. Helwig is a Lutheran in religious faith and his political allegiance is given to the republican party, while fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Pythias. His is the record of a self-made man whose career has been stimulated by laudable ambition and characterized by earnest, systematic effort. He had no advantages to aid him at the outset of his career but he realized that energy, determination and honest dealing are indispensable concomitants of success. Through the employment of these agencies he has steadily progressed and his course has at all times marked him as a citizen of worth, high regard being entertained for his business ability, his enterprising spirit and his devotion to the best interests of his city and state. He resides at No. 870 Colburn street.

KENTON DRAKE KEILHOLTZ

In the grain trade circles of Toledo the name of Kenton Drake Keilholtz is a familiar one and there is in his life history much that should serve as inspiration and encouragement to others, inasmuch as he has worked his way upward from the humble position of office boy to the vice presidency of the firm of Southworth & Company, grain merchants. He was born in Tiffin, Ohio, June 24, 1885, and is a son of Richard William and Annie (Drake) Keilholtz. After completing the work of the public schools in Toledo, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1901, he started out to provide for his own support and his initial position was that to which allusion has already been made—office boy with the firm of Southworth & Company. He displayed industry and loyalty in performing his humble tasks and recognition of this on the part of his employers brought him promotion. From that time forward his advanced steps have been consecutively made until he has reached the position of equal partner with Mr. Southworth in the firm and he has contributed in large degree to the growth and success of the business. He has long been familiar with every phase of the grain trade and has directed extensive and important operations in this particular. In 1904 he became a member of the Toledo Produce Exchange, with which he has since been identified, and is now serving as president.

On the 14th of November, 1907, Mr. Keilholtz wedded Miss Flora Gage Conklin of Toledo, and they have become the parents of two children: Richard Conklin, born July 17, 1910; and Robert Gage, born May 25, 1912. Fraternally Mr. Keilholtz is a Mason and exemplifies in his life the beneficent spirit and purposes of the craft. His interest in all those forces which make for righteousness

and especially those activities which constitute a safeguard for the youth of the land is indicated in his connection with the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he is one of the trustees. He is prominently known in club circles, belonging to the Toledo, Inverness, and Rotary clubs and also to the Commerce Club, and he likewise has membership in the Toledo Transportation Club, of which he was formerly the secretary. He belongs also to the Chicago Board of Trade and to the Corn Exchange of Buffalo. His social connections and business activities have brought him a wide acquaintance in his adopted city, where almost his entire life has been passed, and throughout the community he is spoken of in terms of the highest regard. His residence is at No. 2736 Robinwood avenue.

PARKER B. ROBINSON, M. D.

Discharging his duties with a high sense of conscientious obligation to his fellowmen, Dr. Parker B. Robinson has advanced steadily in his chosen calling until he is today one of the foremost representatives of the medical profession in Toledo, where he is now successfully practicing with a large patronage. A native of Ohio, he was born at Wauseon, Fulton county, August 19, 1874, his parents being Thomas R. and Sarah G. (Worley) Robinson, who were likewise natives of this state, the father born at Fredericksburg and the mother at Little Sandusky. They always resided in Ohio and the father devoted his life to the occupation of farming, save for the period of his service in the Civil war, when he enlisted as a private in an Ohio regiment and was on active duty in defense of the Union for a year. He lived long to enjoy the liberty, peace and prosperity that grew out of that long struggle, passing away in 1920, at the age of eighty-two years. He had for several years survived his wife, who died in 1915, at the age of seventy-two. They were the parents of six children: Mrs. Gertrude Abbs, residing at Wauseon; Mrs. Katherine Conkle, also living at Wauseon; Mrs. Grace Cook, living at Fort Wayne, Indiana; Stella, residing at Wauseon; Ralph, also of that place; and Parker B., of this review.

The last named, pursuing his education at Wauseon, was there graduated from the high school, after which he took up the profession of teaching in Fulton county. He devoted four years to instructing others and then became a student in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio. He afterward took up the study of medicine, which he read privately for a time, and later entered the Northwestern University at Chicago, where he was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1904. At that time he located at Put-in-Bay, where he remained in active practice until the fall of 1917, when he came to Toledo, where he opened an office and has continued, winning substantial success in the discharge of his professional duties. He has at all times kept in touch with the trend of modern professional thought, progress and investigation and has membership in the Lucas County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the Academy of Medicine and the American Medical Association. He is always interested in anything that tends to bring to man the key to the complex mystery which we call life and has been quick to adopt any new methods of practice which his judgment sanctions as of real worth to the profession.

On the 14th of June, 1905, Dr. Robinson was married to Miss Eina J. Weisel of Monroe, Michigan, a daughter of the Rev. Theodore and Minnie Weisel of that place. Mrs. Robinson is a graduate nurse of the Toledo Hospital. By her

marriage she has become the mother of five children: Donald, born at Put-in-Bay in 1908 and now attending the Scott high school; Irene, born at Put-in-Bay in 1911; Parker B., born in 1913; Douglas, born in 1915; and John S., born in 1917.

Dr. Robinson belongs to the Masonic lodge and he is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Toledo Automobile Club. He has membership relations with St. Paul's Episcopal church and his interest centers in those forces which make for the good of humanity and public betterment. Politically he is a republican and has done effective work for progress and improvement in the different localities in which he has made his home. His life has been actuated by the spirit of advancement and his determined purpose has enabled him to overcome many of the difficulties and obstacles in his path and reach a notable place among the successful representatives of the medical profession in Toledo.

VANCE I. GRAY

Vance I. Gray, consulting engineer, has attained distinction in his profession as indicated by the extent and important nature of the work which has been entrusted to his care. His life story is one of steady progress, resulting from the development of his innate powers and talents and the wise utilization of his opportunities. Born in Lake City, Minnesota, on the 29th of February, 1872, he is a son of Robert Richie and Charlotte (Lupton) Gray. The father, a native of Ohio, was a saddle manufacturer who resided during his later life in Minnesota.

Vance I. Gray obtained his preliminary education in the public and high schools of his native state and afterward pursued a course in electrical engineering in the University of Minnesota, where he completed his studies with the class of 1893. Later he was associated with the D & D Electric Manufacturing Company of Minneapolis, with which concern he worked his way upward from the position of office boy to superintendent, each promotion coming to him in recognition of merit and ability. In 1897 he left Minnesota to establish his home in Toledo, where he accepted the position of shop superintendent with the F. Bissell Company. Later he became machinery sales engineer and continued with that house until 1910, or for a period of thirteen years. He has since practiced his profession as a consulting engineer, with offices in the Nasby building, and his clientage covers Ohio, Michigan and Indiana and also extends as far south as Kentucky and as far east as New York. He is a man of high scientific attainments and of broad experience in his chosen professional field and his opinions are largely accepted as authority upon questions relating to his life work. In addition to the independent practice of his profession he is also the president and general manager of the North Baltimore Service Company at North Baltimore, Ohio. He keeps abreast with the trend of scientific thought and progress through his membership in various engineering societies.

On the 29th of November, 1899, Mr. Gray was married to Miss Carrie Ellinghouse, a native of Toledo, and they have become parents of three children: Margaret Alice; Caroline; and Junior Vance, who was born in September, 1911, in Toledo. Mr. Gray greatly enjoys fishing and hunting, to which he turns for recreation from onerous professional duties. He is a member of the Masonic order, having attained the Knights Templar degree in the York Rite, while with the Nobles

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of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Exchange Club. Each step in his career has been a forward one and his achievements represent the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents. His residence is at No. 1029 Lincoln avenue.

ALONZO CHESBROUGH

In the records of early progress in northwestern Ohio when men of virile strength, capability and initiative were laying the foundation upon which has been built the present progress, prosperity and greatness of this section, Alonzo Chesbrough took his place with those who were formulating and shaping the destiny of Toledo. He became a notable figure in connection with the lumber trade and the extent and importance of his activities were resultant in a large measure in making this city a great transportation and business center.

Alonzo Chesbrough is a native of New England, his birth having occurred in Dorset, Vermont, in 1817. He largely spent the period of his minority in the Green Mountain state and at the age of twenty years started out to provide for his own support, making his way to Lockport, New York, where he became an employe of the lumber manufacturing firm of Cameron & Moody. On applying for work he was told that there was nothing for him, but he was not satisfied to be thus curtly turned aside. He then asked permission to work without salary until he could demonstrate what he could do. Such a request could not reasonably be refused and accordingly he was sent out with a gang of choppers, where his industry and faithfulness won immediate recognition. The following day, therefore, he was placed upon the pay roll at the highest rate of wages paid to men of his occupation. For twenty years thereafter Mr. Chesbrough remained with the firm which had at first refused to give him employment and gradually he advanced from one position to another of larger responsibility, until he was managing the interests of that extensive lumber company. In 1855 he resigned his position, feeling that his capital and his broad experience justified his embarkation in business on his own account. He believed a favorable field was offered in Toledo and he came to this city, where within a short space of time he had established a large, growing and profitable business. A contemporary biographer has written of him: "Few local business men were more widely and favorably known over northwestern Ohio than the late Alonzo Chesbrough. He became acquainted with farmers and laborers as well as business men on his own plane, and everywhere was known for the high probity and strict integrity of his character. He was of the type of man now almost old-fashioned whose verbal promise was just as good as a written note. To such character he united untiring energy, and, therefore, his success came as a matter of course. With the extension of his local business he acquired a large tract in the timber regions of Michigan, as well as in Ohio. For the last twenty-five years of his life his business headquarters were with the old firm of Bell, Emerson & Company, wholesale grocers, at the corner of Madison and Summit streets, this company being subsequently known as Emerson & Company. For more than thirty years prior to his death Mr. Chesbrough had his home in East Toledo. Besides his vast timber interests he was connected with other financial enterprises, and had served as vice president both of the Second National Bank of Bay City, Michigan, and of the Exchange Bank of Lockport, New York. Mr.

Chesbrough proved invaluable to both of these institutions. Like many of the old-time lumbermen Mr. Chesbrough had an almost infallible knowledge of human nature, and it is said that he was rarely deceived in men. In the flourishing days of the old lumber industry it was necessary for a man, in order to succeed, to assemble about him a small army of daring, hardy and efficient employes, and the judicious selection of such a staff of workmen was really of greater importance than capital and no doubt it was the faculty of judgment so thoroughly trained and so accurate in Mr. Chesbrough that enabled him to conquer success in spite of any natural adversities or difficulties."

At Niagara Falls, New York, in 1855, Mr. Chesbrough was married to Miss Sarah J. Tufford, who was born there October 13, 1825. In 1874 she joined her husband in Toledo and became a prominent figure in the social circles of the city. They had a family of four sons, who reached adult age: Fremont B., of Boston, Massachusetts; Frank P., of Detroit, Michigan; Abram M., of Toledo; and Aaron, also of this city. The death of Mr. Chesbrough occurred here January 30, 1887, when he was about seventy years of age. His wife survived until May 17, 1893, passing away at the age of sixty-eight. Mr. Chesbrough had made real and valuable contribution to Toledo's business development and growth, being numbered among those men who were the real founders and promoters of the city, meeting and mastering every condition and emergency as it arose and instituting a spirit of contagious enthusiasm concerning the future that has not lost its force to the present day.

HOWARD CURRY BAKER

Howard Curry Baker, a member of one of the prominent and highly respected families of Toledo, is well known in engineering circles of the city and is devoting his attention to the construction of heating and power plants, being recognized as an expert in this line of work. He was born in Clio, Michigan, June 11, 1885, a son of Arthur T. and Luella (Curry) Baker, also natives of the Wolverine state. They are now residing in Toledo and the father is numbered among the well known produce merchants of the city.

The eldest in a family of three children, Howard Curry Baker attended the public schools of Marlette, Michigan, and afterward became a student at the State Agricultural College, from which he was graduated in 1905, on the completion of a course in mechanical engineering. The next year was devoted to architectural work in Saginaw, Michigan. He then came to Toledo and was employed by George S. Mills, architect, for the next two years. This was followed by engineering work with the Yaryan Naval Stores Company of Gulfport, Mississippi, of which Homer T. Yaryan was the head. For five years he remained with that firm and at the end of that time returned to the north, becoming connected with Eagan Brothers, well known heating contractors of Toledo. He continued in their employ for seven years and then entered the service of the Baker-Smith Company of New York city, engaged in constructing power plants for the government. A year later he severed his relations with that concern and came to Toledo in 1919, organizing The Howard C. Baker Company, of which he has since been the president and treasurer. They specialize in the construction of heating and power plants and have been awarded many large contracts,

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their business being one of growing extent and importance. Mr. Baker has had broad experience along professional lines and has developed a high degree of skill and efficiency in his chosen field.

In Detroit, Michigan, on the 22d of May, 1911, Mr. Baker was united in marriage to Miss Naomi Mae Harsh, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Harsh of Toledo. Mr. Baker is a member of Second Church of Christ, Scientist, Toledo, and is connected with the American Society of Heating & Ventilating Engineers, the Toledo Chapter of American Engineers, the Toledo Commerce Club and the Kiwanis Club. He has never been satisfied with the second best but has constantly endeavored to reach the highest degree of perfection possible in his work and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents. He stands high in his profession and is loyal to all those interests which make for honorable manhood and progressive citizenship. His residence is at No. 1644 Woodward road, Wildwood.

THOMAS BRITTON EARL

Thomas Britton Earl, the treasurer of the George M. Jones Company and also of its subsidiary organizations, embracing four companies in all, is thus a prominent figure in connection with the coal trade of Toledo and is recognized as a strong executive, possessing initiative, determination and persistency of purpose, as well as keen insight into business transactions. Toledo numbers him among her native sons, his birth having here occurred August 20, 1857, his parents being William Cook and Harriett Tarlton (Wheeler) Earl. His father was for many years a distinguished figure in fraternal circles, serving for twenty-two years as the grand secretary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Ohio, in which position he continued to the time of his demise. He was a native of Massillon, Ohio, but established his home in Toledo in 1845 and became the first railroad agent in this city. He resided here until called to his final rest.

Thomas B. Earl was educated in the public schools of Toledo and started out in the business world as a telegraph operator and station agent with the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway, with which he was associated for a decade. Actuated by a laudable ambition, he has improved every opportunity pointing to advancement and after leaving the railroad company he took up the business of stave manufacturing in Ottawa county, as a member of the firm of Salisbury, Johnson & Earl. The succeeding five years were devoted to the business and he then withdrew from the company, after which he spent a few years in charcoal manufacturing and in farming. He then again became identified with railway interests and for twelve years was connected with the freight department of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad, while for two years he was in the employ of the Western Railroad. On his return to Toledo in 1903 he took charge of the sales for the George M. Jones Company, extensive coal dealers, and in 1906 he was elected treasurer of the company, as well as of its subsidiary companies. With characteristic thoroughness he has studied every phase of the coal trade and his capability and efficiency are demonstrated in his constant rise to success and prominence in this field. He is also the treasurer of the Bond Hotel Company.

On the 4th of December, 1879, Mr. Earl married Miss Lottie Evaline Salisbury

of Martin, Ottawa county, Ohio, and they have one daughter, Blanche, who is now Mrs. Lucius Hughes of Toledo. Mr. Earl has never entered into various fields of activity outside of business, for here he has found full scope for his industry and determination—his dominant qualities. Step by step he has advanced along lines leading to prosperity until he is now an official in one of the strongest commercial corporations of the city. His residence is at No. 323 Kenilworth avenue.

CLARK E. HUSTED

Clark E. Husted, vice president and secretary of the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company, one of the chief industries of the city, was born in Buffalo, New York, June 29, 1882, and is a son of Giles E. and Julia N. (Murray) Husted, the former a native of New Hampshire and the latter of New York. Since early manhood the father has been in the service of the New York Central Railroad Company and he is now acting as freight agent at Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Husted have many friends in this city, which has been their home for the past thirty-two years.

The third in order of birth in a family of four children, Clark E. Husted attended the grammar school and afterward became a pupil in the Central high school of this city, from which he was graduated in 1898. On starting out in the business world he obtained a clerical position with the New York Central Railroad Company and remained with that corporation until 1906, when he joined the clerical force of the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company, and through successive promotions became vice president and secretary of the company, with which he has been identified for sixteen years.

On the 17th of October, 1912, Mr. Husted was married to Miss Elsie Goemann, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Goemann, the former a member of the Goemann Grain Company of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Husted have two sons: Clark E., Jr., who was born in 1915; and Henry Goemann, whose birth occurred in 1917.

At local elections Mr. Husted votes independently, supporting the man whom he regards as best qualified for office, but when national issues are at stake he casts his ballot in favor of the candidates of the republican party. He is a member of the First Congregational church and has also become identified with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Inverness Club. He has constructed his own success and his life record is one in which notable business ability and the recognition and utilization of opportunity are well balanced forces.

LAMBERT J. TILLMAN

Lambert J. Tillman, works manager of the Wine Railway Appliance Company, belongs to a family that has long been actively and closely associated with industrial development in Toledo. He is of the third generation of the family in this city and was born here February 13, 1895, his parents being Joseph L. and Katherine (Nagelbrecher) Tillman, who are mentioned at length on another page of this work. The father being one of the recognized leaders among the industrial captains of Ohio.

In his youthful days Lambert J. Tillman attended St. Peter's parochial school

and afterward became a student in St. John's College, from which in due course of time he was graduated. In early life he learned the plumber's and steamfitter's trade and, having gained a thorough and comprehensive knowledge of the business, he became identified in 1912 with the Wine Railway Appliance Company. He started in a minor position and acquainted himself with the various phases of the trade. He has worked steadily upward as he has mastered the business in principle and detail and today is works manager of the company, which employs between twenty-five and fifty men, engaged in the manufacture of all kinds of railway appliances. He is one of the directors of the company, likewise a director of the Industrial Steel Casting Company and a director and treasurer of the Buckeye Boiler Skimmer Company.

On the 23d of June, 1917, Mr. Tillman was married to Miss Marie Rooney of Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Rooney, representatives of pioneer families here. There is one child of this marriage, Alice Marie, born October 1, 1921. Mr. Tillman belongs to the Roman Catholic church and in the Knights of Columbus has attained the third degree. He is also identified with the South Side Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and cooperates heartily in the plans and projects of these organizations for the benefit and upbuilding of the city. He has always lived in Toledo, where he has many friends, and his course reflects credit and honor upon one of the old families of the city that for many years has been closely identified with Toledo's substantial growth and development.

JOHN EMORY PARSONS

John Emory Parsons, secretary and treasurer of The Maumee Valley Mortgage Company, is a native son of Toledo and a member of an old and highly respected family which has played an important part in the development and upbuilding of the city. He was born in Toledo, May 7, 1888, of the marriage of John E. and Georgianna (Parke) Parsons, who were natives of Pennsylvania and established their home in Toledo in 1875. The father was at one time Toledo agent for The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York and he later became one of the foremost financiers of this city, serving for many years as vice president and treasurer of the Peoples Savings Association of Toledo. In civic affairs, too, he took a most prominent part, working effectively to promote the welfare and advancement of his community. He served on the board of gas commissioners of Toledo, was one of the trustees of the manual training school of the city and aided in the promotion of many public enterprises. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war, retiring from service with the rank of brigadier general. His demise occurred in Toledo in 1914 and the mother passed away in 1920. They were the parents of three children: Catharine, who married William E. Taylor of Jersey City, New Jersey; and Hannah L. and John E., both of whom are residents of this city.

After attending the Central high school of Toledo John Emory Parsons became a student at the Detroit University School, from which he was graduated with the class of 1908, and he then entered the law department of the University of Michigan, which conferred upon him the LL. B. degree in 1911. Returning to Toledo, he entered the law offices of Marshall & Fraser, with whom he remained

until 1916, when he engaged in private practice for a year. He then enlisted for service in the World war and was sent to the Officers Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, where he was commissioned a second lieutenant of artillery in November, 1917. He was next ordered to Camp Dodge, Iowa, being transferred from there to Camp Jackson, South Carolina, and later attended the School of Fire at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Before he was ready for overseas duty the armistice was declared and after his release from the service he returned to Toledo, becoming connected with the Peoples Savings Association, until he accepted the office of secretary and treasurer of the Thomas Davies Realty Company. He remained with that firm until 1921, when he was made secretary and manager of The Maumee Valley Mortgage Company, and is now serving in those capacities. His knowledge of the law, real estate and banking is of great assistance to him in the conduct of his business interests and his cooperation is regarded as a valuable asset in promoting the success of the undertaking, which ranks with the leading enterprises of this character in the city.

Mr. Parsons is a member of St. Mark's Episcopal church and his political support is given to the republican party. His public spirit finds expression in his connection with the Chamber of Commerce and he is also a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Toledo post of the American Legion, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Toledo Tennis Club and is a trustee of the last named organization. Mr. Parsons is a member of the Michigan and Ohio bar and of the bar of the United States district court for the northern district of Ohio. By inheritance he bears a name that stands for the highest ideals in business and social circles of Toledo, and in person, in talents and in achievements is a worthy scion of his race.

CLARENCE R. REX

Clarence R. Rex, vice president of The Ohio Dairy Company, occupies a prominent position in business circles of Toledo and has also become widely known as an expert chemist, his services in this connection being in constant demand. He was born in Crawford county, Ohio, May 24, 1884, and is a son of C. C. and Mary L. (Bareford) Rex, also natives of this state. Mr. and Mrs. Rex reside in Toledo. He is engaged in contracting, having successfully operated a business of this character for a number of years. There are two children in the family: Orvial, who is living in Detroit, Michigan; and Clarence R.

The grammar and high schools of Galion, Ohio, afforded Clarence R. Rex his early educational opportunities and later he became a student at Northwestern University at Chicago, from which he was graduated in 1909 on the completion of a course in chemistry and bacteriology. Coming to Toledo, he entered the employ of The Ohio Dairy Company and two years later established the Tri-State Laboratory Company, which he conducted successfully for seven years, specializing in dairy research work. In 1916 he resumed his connection with The Ohio Dairy Company and since 1918 has been vice president and a director of the firm. He is exceptionally well qualified for this responsible office, owing to his specialized knowledge of the business, and has contributed materially toward the success of the company, which is operating one of the largest and most modern dairies in this section of the state. He is still active in chemical research

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work and draws his clients from all parts of the country, being regarded as an authority on chemical subjects. He has acquired a habit of painstaking accuracy in his work and keeps in close touch with all new developments in this science and its application to modern industrial processes.

On the 10th of January, 1914, Mr. Rex was married to Miss Carrie L. Kratt, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kratt, the former a prominent shoe dealer of this city. Mr. Rex is a member of Westminster Presbyterian church of Toledo and is affiliated with the blue lodge of Masons, while he is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He has never been content with mediocrity but has ever been actuated by high ideals and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents. He has gained high standing in business and professional circles and his personal qualities are such that he has won the sincere friendship of many.

FRED H. KRUSE

Fred H. Kruse was admitted to the bar in 1904 and has been engaged in law practice in Toledo as a member of the firm of Fritsche, Kruse & Winchester since that time. He was born here on the 31st of August, 1877, and is a son of August T. and Mary (Hoffman) Kruse. He pursued his education in the Toledo public schools, and the law department of the Columbian (now George Washington) University, of Washington, D. C.

On the 30th of June, 1909, Mr. Kruse was married to Miss Edith E. Clark and they have become the parents of two sons, Richard and John. Fraternally Mr. Kruse is a Knight Templar and Thirty-second degree Mason, and belongs to the Sigma Chi. He is also a member of the Maumee River Yacht Club.

HENRY ARTHUR MIDDLETON

Henry Arthur Middleton, attorney at law and veteran of the World war, was born in Urbana, Ohio, July 19, 1888. He is the youngest of four children of Arthur Newton and Allie Loretta (Taylor) Middleton. His father, who likewise devoted his life to the practice of law, died in 1889. His mother, now Mrs. D. E. Kite of St. Paris, Ohio, is still living. Upon the death of his father, Mr. Middleton was adopted by Charles Newton and Mary Elizabeth (Middleton) Dodson—the latter being his father's sister—and was reared by them.

Henry Arthur Middleton attended the public schools of Champaign county, Ohio, was graduated from the Springfield, Ohio, high school and spent two years as a student in Boston University. He received his legal education at Ohio State University and was admitted to the bar of Ohio in 1911. Upon being admitted to the bar he became associated in the general practice of law with John F. Wilson and Fred C. Rector, in Columbus, Ohio.

On July 10, 1917, Mr. Middleton applied for admission to the Second Officers Training Camp, was accepted and mustered in at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, August 29, 1917. On November 27, 1917, he was commissioned first lieutenant of Field Artillery and was assigned to the Three hundred and Twenty-third Field

Artillery, Eighty-third Division, Camp Sherman, Ohio, with which regiment he remained during his entire service. With that division he sailed from New York on June 12, 1918, for service overseas. After his regiment had received the usual training in France, at Camp Coetquidan, he proceeded to the front, arriving just in time to enter the Meuse-Argonne offensive, September 26, 1918. During this engagement his regiment supported the Ninety-first, Twenty-ninth and Thirty-second division and was actively engaged at Ecury when the armistice was signed, November 11, 1918. On November 17th his regiment started on the march to the Rhine with the Thirty-second division, and with it occupied the center wedge of the Coblenz Bridge Head. From August 20, 1918, to December 25, 1918, Mr. Middleton served as adjutant of the Second Battalion and after December 25th commanded Battery E; was promoted to the rank of captain of Field Artillery, March 4, 1919; returned to the United States April 6, 1919, and was honorably discharged at Camp Meade, Maryland, April 8, 1919.

Immediately following his discharge from the army Mr. Middleton became associated with the law firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams of Toledo, and has been a member of that firm since February, 1921.

Mr. Middleton belongs to the Masonic fraternity and to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is a member of the Toledo Club. He holds membership in the Sons of the American Revolution by right of his descent from Revolutionary ancestors on both sides of the family and is now vice president of Anthony Wayne Chapter, in Toledo. He is also an active member of the American Legion and strongly endorses the purposes of that organization.

Mrs. Middleton was, before her marriage, Miss Myrtie Elnora Johnson of Urbana, Ohio, and like her husband traces her ancestry to a family settling in Virginia long prior to the Revolutionary war. Mr. and Mrs. Middleton are members of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church and both are actively interested in the social and civic enterprises of the city.

JOSEPH SHILOH MATHER

Joseph Shiloh Mather, one of the owners of the Ohio-Toledo Ice Cream Company, of which he is secretary and treasurer, comes to Ohio from the south, his birth having occurred in St. James parish, Louisiana, on the 3d of April, 1862, and he comes from one of the old and highly respected families of that state, his parents being Joseph and Mary (Lyons) Mather. The father was a sugar planter. His death occurred some twenty years ago, but the mother died when Joseph Shiloh Mather was ten years of age.

The youthful days of Joseph S. Mather were spent in his native state and his educational opportunities were those afforded by the schools of New Orleans. He started out to provide for his own support and became an employe of a wholesale grocery house of that city, where he remained for a number of years. In 1903 he removed to St. Louis, Missouri, and for five years was in the employ of the American Credit Indemnity Company. On the expiration of that period he located in Canton, Ohio, where for five years he was engaged in the rubber business and in 1912 he came to Toledo, where he purchased an interest in the Toledo Dairy Company, now the Ohio-Toledo Ice Cream Company. Mr. Mather was elected secretary and treasurer of this organization and has since been active in its management. He has

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done much to maintain the high standards of the company as to the quality of its product and the treatment accorded to patrons. The business of the company has steadily grown and developed until it is now the leading industry of its character in the city. Among his other business connections Mr. Mather is the secretary-treasurer of the Northern Refrigerating Company.

On the 15th of April, 1885, Mr. Mather was married to Miss Nathalie Wiendahl of New Orleans and they have a family of four children: Marie Therese, the eldest, is the widow of A. Warren Aylesworth of Canton, Ohio; Nathalie W. is the wife of B. T. Ryan of Columbus, Ohio; Joseph Shiloh, Jr., is a student at Princeton University; and Lucy is attending the Sacred Heart convent at Detroit, Michigan.

Mr. Mather is numbered among the city's progressive business men. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, being in hearty sympathy with the plans and purposes of that organization to upbuild and extend the trade relations of the city and to further those projects which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. He is a member of the Rotary Club, holding also to its high ideals concerning American citizenship and the improvement of opportunity and he is furthermore popularly known in the membership of the Transportation and Toledo Yacht clubs. Mr. Mather resides at No. 2510 Parkwood avenue.

GEORGE PHILIP HAHN

George Philip Hahn, a well known member of the Toledo bar, was born in Napoleon, Ohio, June 26, 1879, and is a son of Antone and Sophia (Yackee) Hahn. The father was a native of Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, and on coming to the United States he located in Napoleon, Ohio. He established his business and continued an active factor in the commercial circles of the city to the time of his death on October 12, 1888. Politically he was a democrat and religiously a Catholic. He was married in Toledo, in 1878, to Sophia Yackee, who was born in Alsace, then a part of Germany, in 1858. Mrs. Hahn was fourteen years of age when her father brought his family to this country. They located near Napoleon, Ohio, where Mr. Yackee bought a farm which he placed under a high state of cultivation. Later he took up his abode in the city of Napoleon, where he passed away in 1905, at the age of seventy-four years. He gave his political allegiance to the democratic party and his religious faith was that of the Lutheran church. His daughter, Mrs. Hahn, and all of her family adhere to the same faith. By her marriage she became the mother of five children, of whom Anthony P. died some years ago after reaching young manhood. George Philip is the oldest of the family. Elnora is the wife of Henry Meyer, a druggist of Napoleon. Selma C. is now the wife of George C. Roedel, a clothing merchant of Archbold, Fulton county, Ohio. Ada S. became the wife of John H. Krafft of Cleveland.

George P. Hahn attended the public and high schools of Napoleon, after which he became a student in the Ohio State University, receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree as a member of the class of 1903. He then entered upon the study of law and in 1905 the LL. B. degree was conferred upon him. In the same year he was admitted to the bar and in 1906 was admitted to practice before the United States district court. He became a partner in the firm of Brown, Hahn & Sanger, now one of the representative law firms of the city, with an extensive and high class clientele. He is also an instructor in partnership and damages in the law depart-

ment of St. John's University of Toledo, having occupied this position for several years. His ability is attested by a most successful professional career, which ranks him with the leading members of the Toledo bar.

On the 14th of November, 1906, Mr. Hahn was united in marriage to Miss Estella C. Vocke of Toledo and they have two children: Philip Vocke and Frances Elaine.

Mr. Hahn is a republican in his political views, having stanchly supported the party since attaining his majority. Fraternally he is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and along strictly professional lines his membership is with the Lawyers Club and the Lucas County Bar Association. Mr. Hahn's residence is at No. 2635 Scottwood avenue.

THOMAS H. TRACY, JR.

Among the well known citizens of the younger generation of business men in Toledo none is better or more popularly known than Thomas H. Tracy, Jr., president of the Tracy Auto Sales Company, distributors of motor cars. Born in this city on the 15th of June, 1890, he is a son of Thomas Henry and Laura E. (Pratt) Tracy. The father, a native of Millbury, Ohio, is now one of Toledo's prominent attorneys and is mentioned elsewhere in this work. The mother was born in Weston, Ohio, and both are still living.

Thomas H. Tracy mastered the branches of learning taught in the grades and later in the high school at Asheville, North Carolina, while his collegiate work was pursued in the University of Michigan as a member of the class of 1912. He then turned his attention to business interests in his native city, entering the employ of the Toledo Screw Products Company. During the World war period he was engaged in government work in connection with the manufacture of munitions and following the cessation of hostilities he became associated with the Airway Electric Appliance Company, with which he remained for some time, becoming vice president of that corporation, the business being that of the manufacture of vacuum cleaners and electric motors. He sold his interest in that concern in 1921 and became district agent for the Earl and Stevens motor cars. In this connection he has built up a large sales organization and is now sole agent in this district for these two high-grade passenger cars. He organized his business under the name of the Tracy Sales Company, Incorporated, of which he is the president, with O. B. Briggs as vice president. This is a close corporation and the business under the direction of the two officials mentioned is steadily growing and developing, already the firm having put out a large number of cars which make their profits of substantial character.

Mr. Tracy was united in marriage to Miss Bess Whitker of Toledo, who passed away in 1919. They had a family of three children: Jane Laura, who was born in 1912 and is now attending school; Betty Ann, born May 27, 1916, also in school; and Thomas H. (III), born in September, 1917. On the 10th of May, 1920, Mr. Tracy was again married, his second union being with Miss Ruth Haviland, daughter of Charles Haviland.

Mr. Tracy has always voted with the republican party since attaining his majority and is conversant with the leading questions and issues of the day but has no ambition to fill political office, preferring to give undivided attention to his

growing business affairs. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and his appreciation of the social amenities of life is indicated in his connection with the Toledo Auto Club and the Toledo Commerce Club.

ADOLPH J. GENDRON

Adolph J. Gendron, who since starting out in the business world has been connected with manufacturing and commercial interests, is now the president of the Toledo Tire & Supply Company. A native son of the city in which he makes his home, he was born August 24, 1875, and is a son of Pierre and Delinu (Trudeau) Gendron. The father was the originator, patentee and manufacturer of the Gendron wheel and as such instituted a business of large proportions, plants being maintained not only in Toledo but in other sections of this country.

Adolph J. Gendron pursued his education in Assumption College at Sandwich, Canada, where he completed the course in 1892. After putting aside his textbooks he was associated with his father in business as a representative of the Gendron Wheel Company and afterward was made assistant manager at the Toronto (Canada) branch of the business. There his position was one of large responsibility and he thoroughly qualified for it by his alert and enterprising methods, his sound judgment and his close application. Since 1910 he has been the president of the Toledo Tire & Supply Company, jobbers of automobile accessories, and through the intervening period of twelve years has built up a business of very gratifying and substantial proportions. He also continues as one of the directors of the Gendron Wheel Company.

On the 28th of August, 1895, was celebrated the marriage of Adolph J. Gendron and Miss Clara Becker of Toledo and they have one son, Leon Pierre, who was born in 1896, and is a graduate of the University of Chicago of the class of 1917. He was afterward in the Aviation Corps during the World war, serving as an instructor in America, and he is now in the moving picture business.

Fraternally Mr. Gendron is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He belongs to the Toledo Club and his religious faith is that of the Catholic church. He is now a communicant of St. Joseph's church and he also belongs to the Knights of Columbus.

JOHN STOLLBERG

For more than a third of a century John Stollberg has been at the head of the Stollberg Hardware Company. His initial step in the business world foreshadowed his present position, for he started out as a clerk in a hardware store when but a young lad. Through the intervening years he has embraced every opportunity for advancement and step by step has worked his way upward until he is today one of the foremost merchants and successful business men of Toledo. He was born in this city on the 5th of January, 1856, and is a son of William and Anna (Haller) Stollberg. His education was acquired in the public schools and in the Baldwin-Wallace College at Berea, Ohio. He secured a clerkship a little later in a hardware store, working thus during his boyhood days, and in 1880 he embarked in business

on his own account by establishing a small hardware store. Success attended the venture and from time to time he was able to increase his stock because of the growing demands of his trade. He closely watched and managed his business so that there should be no waste and that his investment should bring a legitimate financial reward. The constant development of the enterprise led in 1888 to the organization of the Stollberg Hardware Company, of which he has since been the president. In 1890 this was incorporated with a capital stock of three hundred thousand dollars and throughout the intervening period both wholesale and retail departments have proven sources of gratifying success. The business is represented upon the road by a number of traveling salesmen and the trade covers a wide territory. Mr. Stollberg has always held to the highest standards in the personnel of the house, in the line of goods carried and in the treatment accorded patrons, and thorough reliability and enterprise have become synonymous with the corporation name.

On the 29th of May, 1879, Mr. Stollberg was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Weber, a daughter of Jacob Weber, and they have become parents of three children: Iola May, now the wife of Dr. H. L. Green; Luella E., the wife of Oscar Leach; and Stella Irene, who married Harry W. Morgan and has three children, John Howard, Mary Elizabeth and Caroline.

Mr. Stollberg is well known in fraternal circles, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he also has membership with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. His greatest activity outside of business, however, is directed into religious channels. He has long been a most consistent, faithful and zealous member of Emanuel Methodist Episcopal church, of which for a number of years he has served as treasurer. He has also been superintendent of the Sunday school in the past and for forty years he has been director of the church choir. He was elected to the public service board of Toledo, of which he was made president, serving thereon in 1902, 1903 and 1904. His life has even been actuated by high ideals and the spirit of service in relation to his fellowmen and he has contributed in substantial measure not only to the material development but to the moral progress of the community and to the support of all those agencies which make for a better city and for the uplift of the individual. He resides at No. 2341 Putnam street.

JOHN PHILIP GOMPH

John Philip Gomph, concentrating his efforts and attention for many years upon life insurance, is now general agent at Toledo for the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company. He is a native of the Empire state, his birth having occurred at Utica, New York, June 23, 1873, his parents being John and Mary (Jones) Gomph. The father was for years engaged in the sale of flannels and shirting, conducting a large and substantial business at Utica.

Spending his youthful days under the parental roof, John Philip Gomph entered the public schools at the usual age and passed through consecutive grades to the high school, in which he completed his studies. At the age of eighteen he became a traveling salesman. In young manhood he was interested in the National Guard and in 1898, following the outbreak of the Spanish-American war, he became quartermaster of Company E, First New York Volunteer Infantry,

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and was engaged in military duty for a year with the army. He was connected altogether with the New York National Guard for eighteen years as an active member of the organization and has never ceased to feel the deepest interest in military affairs.

Entering insurance circles, he became identified with the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company as special agent in 1901, and in 1912 he came to Toledo, where he continued as its representative until 1916, when he resigned. In that year he was made general agent for the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company and has continued to act in that capacity. He has made a most thorough study of insurance in all of its phases and few are able to discuss more broadly or intelligently all of the questions that have to do with insurance, both in principle and detail. He ably represents the corporation with which he is now associated and under his guidance the work of the district over which he has supervision is being steadily developed.

On the 22d of June, 1904, Mr. Gomph was married to Miss Edith Gleason of Warren, Massachusetts. They are members of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and are interested in all that pertains to the social, intellectual and moral progress of the community. Mr. Gomph belongs to the Masonic fraternity, having taken the consistory degrees and become a member of the Mystic Shrine. He is also identified with the Chamber of Commerce and in the field of social activity he is well known as a member of the Toledo, Inverness and Toledo Automobile clubs. He is likewise very fond of golf, which affords him a pleasurable source of recreation from the arduous cares of a business career. Mr. and Mrs. Gomph are fond of travel and indulge in this pleasure as time and occasion permit.

FRANK L. BAUMGARDNER

Frank L. Baumgardner is a member of the firm of Baumgardner & Company, conducting a wholesale business in dry goods and notions. This is one of the largest mercantile houses in Toledo and one which has been in continuous existence since 1866. Frank L. Baumgardner was born in this city April 5, 1875, his parents being Edson W. and Frances Mary (Langan) Baumgardner, the former a native of Wooster, Ohio, while the latter was born in Pennsylvania. The family has long been represented in this state, the name of Baumgardner being associated with the history of Ohio from pioneer times. In young manhood Edson W. Baumgardner came to Toledo and entered into partnership with his kinsman, L. S. Baumgardner, who in 1866 came to Toledo and established the firm of L. S. Baumgardner & Company for the conduct of a wholesale business in dry goods, notions and furnishings. The business was begun on a comparatively small scale but during the intervening years has constantly increased and the house has for an extended period been numbered among the chief mercantile enterprises of northwestern Ohio. Edson W. Baumgardner was continuously associated with the business, contributing largely to its success, until his death, which occurred on the 5th of April, 1920, when he was sixty-nine years of age. His widow still makes her home in Toledo. In their family were three children: Frank L., Edson L. and Carleton M.

Reared under the parental roof Frank L. Baumgardner pursued his preliminary education in the grade and high schools of Toledo and afterward became

a student in the Peekskill Military Academy at Peekskill, New York, while later he entered the University of Michigan. Following the completion of his college course he turned to the business world, desirous of entering upon a gainful occupation. He became associated with his father's mercantile establishment, starting in a minor capacity and working his way upward until he became one of the owners of the business. This is today one of the large wholesale enterprises of this state, employing one hundred salesmen locally while the house is represented on the road by twenty traveling salesmen. Frank L. Baumgardner has in substantial measure that quality which for want of a better term has been called commercial sense. He readily discriminates between the essential and the non-essential in all business matters and his judgment is thoroughly sound and reliable and his methods at all times progressive and resultant.

Mr. Baumgardner is interested in everything that has to do with public welfare and progress and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He attends the First Congregational church and he has membership in the Toledo Club, the Inverness Country Club and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. His aid is a valuable asset in many projects which are looking to the material, social and moral benefit and upbuilding of the community; and throughout Toledo, where he has spent his life, Frank L. Baumgardner is held in the highest esteem, being a worthy representative of an old and honored family here.

JOHN QUINCY KELLER

John Quincy Keller, president of the King Manufacturing Company, has advanced steadily throughout his business career from a humble position until he is now widely known among the manufacturers of northwestern Ohio. He was born in Wauseon, Clinton township, Fulton county, this state, December 6, 1865, and is a son of Abraham Benjamin and Catherine Keller. The father, who was a shoemaker, is now deceased. After obtaining a public school education John Q. Keller was employed in his boyhood in a drug store and, working his way upward, became assistant pharmacist. In 1883 he entered the employ of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad Company as a brakeman and remained with the road until 1893, being superintendent of the gravel pit at Rome City, Indiana, at the time he resigned. He is now a member of the Pioneer Association of old Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railway employes.

For a time Mr. Keller was with the Shaw-Kendall Engineering Company at Toledo, which later became the National Supply Company, working as a machinist for two years, and on the expiration of that period he, with John King, organized the King Manufacturing Company for the manufacture of ladies' house-wearing apparel. The business is capitalized for sixty thousand dollars and the plant equipment includes one hundred and sixty-five machines. He employs seventy-five people and the business is growing steadily. Mr. Keller is president of the company, directing its activities, and the sales cover the middle states.

On the 31st of December, 1889, Mr. Keller was married to Miss Olive Viola Woodcott of Toledo and they have become parents of three sons. Orra Karlton was born January 6, 1893, and is now production manager of the King Manufacturing Company. He married Hazel Ethel Bishop on the 18th of June, 1914, at Fredonia, Ohio. He is a Mason of high rank, having attained the thirty-second

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degree of the Scottish Rite, and is also a member of the Mystic Shrine; George Kenneth, the second son, born May 23, 1895, was educated in the public schools and the Toledo University and is now secretary of the King Manufacturing Company. He, too, is a Consistory Mason and Mystic Shriner and is also identified with the Independent Order of Foresters. On the 23d of June, 1920, he married Mildred Jeanne Bumgardner of Toledo and they have one child, Olive Jane, born October 9, 1921, in Toledo; Benjamin Mechlin, born July 3, 1897, in Toledo, was educated in the public schools and is assistant production manager of the King Manufacturing Company. He, too, is identified with Masonry, having now attained the thirty-second degree in the Mystic Shrine. He married Nettie Beesch of Toledo on the 10th of November, 1919.

Mr. Keller's sons have followed in their father's footsteps not only in business but in their connection with Masonry, for Mr. Keller is a loyal member of the craft, belonging to the consistory, the Mystic Shrine and to the Grotto. He is also connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Foresters and he belongs to the Toledo Automobile Club and to the Chamber of Commerce—associations which indicate the nature of his interests and activities outside of the field of business and show him to be a man of sterling worth, actuated by high principles and governed by commendable motives. The sons, too, like the father, are making an excellent record as business men and citizens and the members of the family are highly esteemed by their many acquaintances and friends. Mr. Keller's home is at No. 1024 Lincoln avenue.

WILLIAM BENJAMIN GEROE

William Benjamin Geroe, a thorough gentleman and a progressive business man, left the impress of his individuality in large measure upon the history of Toledo not alone by reason of what he accomplished in a commercial way, although he was one of the representative commission merchants of the city, but also by reason of his prominence in the social life and in his connection with every project put forth for the substantial upbuilding and benefit of the community. Born at Cherry Grove, Hamilton county, Ohio, on the 3d of August, 1855, the little village being one of the suburbs of Cincinnati, he was a son of Aaron Ackerman and Anna (Taber) Geroe. The father conducted a commission and wholesale fruit business in Cincinnati until 1870, when he removed his family and his business to Toledo, where for many years the name has figured prominently and honorably in connection with the commission and fruit trade of this city.

William B. Geroe acquired his early education in the public schools at Cherry Grove and with the removal of the family to Toledo he entered the Central high school, from which he was graduated with the class of 1874. When his course was completed he traveled for two years as representative of the firm of Ketcham & Voit in the hardware trade and then gave up his position to enter into partnership with his father under the firm style of A. A. Geroe & Son, with offices on Water street at the corner of Monroe. After a year, however, they removed to 505 Monroe, at which address the firm conducted an ever-increasing business for thirty years, becoming known from New York to California as one of the largest and most reliable firms in the commission and fruit business in the entire country. Following the death of his father, William B. Geroe became the head of the business

and in the year 1906 he took his son into partnership and incorporated the business under the name of The Geroe Company. In 1912 they removed to their present quarters at Nos. 32 and 34 North Huron street. Important and extensive as were the interests which he directed as head of this corporation, William B. Geroe did not confine his business activities to this line alone. He became one of the directors of the Union Bank, also of the Market Bank, the Guardian Bank and of many other important business interests. He was the president of The Geroe Company and was one of the best known men not only in Toledo but throughout northern Ohio, his social as well as his business qualities and his public spirit bringing him into prominence.

On the 3d of October, 1877, Mr. Geroe was married to Miss Caroline Louise Fitch of Toledo, a daughter of Simeon and Esther Mary (Morris) Fitch, who removed from Ogdensburg, New York, to Toledo about 1842, at which time the population of the city was only about three hundred. Mr. Fitch was here engaged in the grain trade and operated a line of canal boats to various points along the canal. Mr. and Mrs. Geroe became the parents of three children: William Ackerman, who married Grace McFadden and has two children, Caroline A. and William Benjamin (II); Mrs. Louise Webster, who has one son, Philip Geroe Webster; and Helen, who is living in New York.

In a review of the life of William B. Geroe it is interesting to view the social side of his nature. He was famous as a humorist and an after dinner speaker. He was recognized as a close student of men, affairs and events and at all times he was a most loyal citizen, having the good of the community at heart and manifesting this in many tangible ways. He was imbued with an innate love of the out-of-doors, which he never lost, and he was an enthusiast for outdoor sports of all kinds, greatly enjoying football and baseball games, while he had a genuine love for fishing and hunting. He belonged to the Castalia Fishing Club and the Erie Shooting Club. He was a prominent member of the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Elks Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He was a delightful and polished conversationalist and his pungent and ready wit made him much sought after as a speech maker, especially on the occasion of public dinners and banquets. No man in Toledo was better known or more greatly loved. As a neighbor, as a business man, as a friend and as the head of his family, he was esteemed and honored by reason of his fidelity to duty and to every obligation and for many years his life seemed to be blessed with all that makes for happiness and for success. During his last few years, however, he suffered from ill health. His ability as a speaker caused him to be sought as the principal orator at conventions of the various allied organizations in the trade and when it was known that he was to speak there were found no empty seats in the convention hall, for all recognized the fact that they would have great enjoyment in listening to him. He was an old-time member of the League of Commission Merchants, also the International Apple Shippers Association and a prominent member of the Western Fruit Jobbers. Mr. Geroe also wrote a great many articles on well known club members, all of whom were friends. He was offered the presidency of both the National League of Commission Merchants and the International Apple Shippers Association but on account of a defect in his hearing refused the proffered positions. He made many speeches, however, at the conventions of both organizations and on such occasions his addresses touched only in part upon business but were always enlivened with humorous remarks about prominent members in the trade and conditions having to do with the association before which he appeared. He could always see the humorous side of any ques-

tion and at the Norfolk convention of the league instead of setting aside an evening to allow the members to attend some theatre or place of entertainment the evening was given over to "Bill" Geroe's speech. One of his very best public addresses was delivered at the Philadelphia convention in 1918 and not long afterward he was taken ill with a disease that culminated in his death. He belonged to the St. Mark's Episcopal church of Toledo and in political faith was a republican. With the best interests of the city always at heart Mr. Geroe was constantly on the alert to see that Toledo kept pace with the state and nation along all lines of progress and improvement and he was ever among the first to put his shoulder to the wheel and aid in the support of a valuable public enterprise. He passed away on the 18th of August, 1920. There were few men who have inspired so deep and genuine an affection among so wide a circle of friends, reaching from coast to coast and wherever he was known.

In Memoriam

I think the gentle soul of him
Goes softly in some garden place,
With the old smile time may not dim
Upon his face.

He, who was lover of the Spring,
With love that never quite forgets,
Surely sees roses blossoming
And violets.

Now that his day of toil is through,
I love to think he sits at ease,
With some old volume that he knew
Upon his knees.

Watching, perhaps, with quiet eyes
The white cloud's drifting argosy;
Or twilight opening flower-wise
On land and sea.

He, who so loved companionship,
I may not think walks quite alone,
Failing some friendly hand to slip
Within his own.

Those whom he loved aforetime, still,
I doubt not, bear him company;
Yea, even laughter yet may thrill
Where he may be.

A thought, a fancy—who may tell?
Yet I, who ever pray it so,
Feel through my tears that all is well;
And this I know,—

That God is gentle to his guest,
And, therefore, may I gladly say,
"Surely the things he loved the best
Are his to-day."

HARRY LE ROY DREW

Among those who are active in furthering the commercial development of Toledo is numbered Harry Le Roy Drew, whose well directed efforts have found expression in the development of a large storage and cartage business, of which he is sole proprietor. He was born in Dundee, in Monroe county, Michigan, January 17, 1875, a son of Israel C. and Martha (Miller) Drew, the former a native of Vermont and the latter of Buffalo, New York. When a boy the father engaged in driving mules which towed the boats through the old Erie canal and later he worked in the lumber woods, cutting timber which was sent down the Maumee river to be used in the construction of steamboats. He also learned the tanner's trade, which he followed for a considerable period, and spent his later years in retirement. He volunteered for service in the Civil war, joining the Seventeenth Michigan Infantry, and participated in many hard fought engagements. He was present at the battle of the Wilderness and at Antietam his hip was shattered by a cannon ball, thus rendering him a cripple during the remainder of his life. He was discharged from the service with the rank of sergeant and his demise occurred at Dundee, Michigan, in 1912. He had reached the advanced age of ninety-one years. The mother passed away at Dundee in 1905.

Harry Le Roy Drew, the youngest in a family of eleven children, attended the grammar and high schools of his native town and also completed a course in the Cleary Business College at Ypsilanti, Michigan. His first position was with the Hay & Todd Manufacturing Company and after spending three years in their employ he became a clerk for the American Express Company at Ypsilanti, Michigan, and later served in the same capacity for the company at Ann Arbor, Michigan, Hammond, Indiana, and Saginaw, Michigan. From the latter city he came to Toledo and remained in their employ until 1917, when his progressive spirit led him to embark in an independent venture and he became a member of a cartage and storage firm. The undertaking proved a failure, owing to the mismanagement of his partner, and purchasing the latter's interest, Mr. Drew has since controlled the business, which he has converted into a very successful enterprise. He has always carefully planned his business and in its management he displays initiative, foresight and marked executive ability. He now utilizes nine automobile trucks, also has a large warehouse at No. 34 South Huron street and is bending every effort toward the legitimate expansion of his interests.

At Dundee, Michigan, on the 17th of May, 1901, Mr. Drew was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Hendricks, a daughter of Benjamin W. Hendricks, and they have become the parents of two children: Marjorie, who was born at Saginaw, that state, in 1901, and was graduated from the Woodward Technical School of this city in 1901; and Russell H., who was born in Toledo on June 2, 1908, and is now attending the public schools. Mr. Drew is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and does all in his power to promote the industrial prosperity of the city. His fraternal relations are with the Masons, the Fraternal Order of Eagles,

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the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Camp, the Loyal Order of Moose, and the Legion, and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His political support is given to the republican party. He has ever recognized the fact that each day and hour has its opportunity and that effort, intelligently put forth, must ultimately win its reward. In the fullness of time he has reaped the reward of sound judgment and indefatigable industry and in winning success he has at the same time gained the respect and goodwill of all with whom he has been associated. His residence is at No. 1468 Fernwood avenue.

THEODORE SCHMITT

Theodore Schmitt passed away August 17, 1920, after having been a resident of Toledo for forty years, during which time he had advanced to prominence in connection with the general insurance, real estate and loan business. Other enterprises, too, profited by his cooperation and sound judgment and in public affairs, too, he played well his part. He was born in Bavaria, Germany, January 11, 1856, and was the only son in a family of four children, whose parents were John Adam and Elizabeth (Krebs) Schmitt. The father followed the occupation of farming in Bavaria, where he and his wife spent their lives and there Theodore Schmitt was reared on the home farm, while his education was acquired in the parochial schools. He met the nation's requirement as to military service when he was twenty years of age, spending two years in the army and winning promotion to the rank of sergeant.

Feeling his labors would be less hampered in America, the land of opportunity, he bade adieu to family, friends and fatherland in the latter part of 1879 and reached Baltimore, Maryland, on the last day of that year or on the opening day of the new year. He did not tarry on the Atlantic coast, however, but made his way at once to Toledo, Ohio, and for a few months was employed at peddling bills, advertising a fever and ague medicine manufactured by Dr. McCormick of this city. During this period he was gaining considerable knowledge of the American language and customs and when a half year had passed he turned his attention to the life insurance business, becoming a successful solicitor. For a number of years his entire attention was devoted to insurance, the scope of his activities, however, extended to include not only life but also fire insurance. He likewise established a real estate department. He represented the London Assurance, the Teutonia of Dayton, Ohio, the Aetna Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, and the Germania Company of New York and prospering in his efforts, was soon at the head of a business of large and substantial proportions, having many clients both in the insurance branch and in the real estate branch of his business. In 1886 he organized the Eagle Brewing Company of Toledo, which was later incorporated as the Schmitt Brewing Company, with Mr. Schmitt as the principal stockholder. He was identified with the undertaking until 1902, when he sold out to the Huebner Brewing Company. In 1888 he organized and incorporated the Mutual Savings Association, one of the soundest institutions of the kind in northwestern Ohio, and for an extended period was the secretary and general manager, the success of the enterprise being attributable in large measure to his efforts. Mr. Schmitt was also one of the builders of the Toledo, Port Clinton & Lakeside Railway, extending from Toledo to Marblehead and Sandusky and served as president and general manager thereof until he sold out to an eastern syndicate in 1912. Whatever he

undertook he carried forward to successful completion. He never stopped short of his objective and at all times realized the fact that when one avenue of advancement seemed closed he could carve out other paths whereby to reach the desired goal.

On the 26th of April, 1881, was celebrated the marriage of Theodore Schmitt and Josephine M. La Point of Maumee, Ohio, who was born and reared in Maumee, a daughter of Joseph and Lavina (Bourdeau) La Point, both representatives of old French families, who settled in the Maumee valley more than a century ago. Her father was a soldier of the Civil war. Mrs. Schmitt lived in Maumee until her marriage, when she became a resident of Toledo and here passed away February 24, 1912, at the age of fifty-two years. Mr. and Mrs. Schmitt had one daughter and five sons: Theodore, Jr., who is connected with the Mutual Savings Association of Toledo as secretary; Gertrude M., wife of Frank W. Showel, one of the directors of the Mutual Savings Association; Rudolph J., who is connected with the real estate and insurance department of the Theodore Schmitt Company; Alfred H., who devotes his life to agricultural pursuits; J. A., who is connected with the Paragon Refining Company of Toledo; and Walter E., who completed his education in the University of Michigan and is now with the Theo. Schmitt Company.

Mr. Schmitt was always interested in public affairs and displayed his devotion to the general good by hearty support of many measures, looking to the benefit and upbuilding of the city. He voted with the democratic party and was elected on that ticket to the city council, serving from 1892 until 1894. He was a member of Toledo Lodge, No. 53, B. P. O. E., the National Union and the Catholic Knights of America. He had membership in St. Mary's Catholic church and in the Toledo Club and he also belonged to the Maumee Yacht Club. In the later years of his life he largely spent the winter seasons in Miami, Florida, where he had extensive property holdings and the summer months were passed in Toledo and in part in northern Michigan, where he went to enjoy fishing and outdoor life. He also traveled extensively, making many trips to Europe, visiting his native land and other countries of the old world. The opportunities denied him in his youth were thus enjoyed in his later years, as the result of his business capability and his judicious investments. His business interests constantly broadened in scope and importance and his success enabled him to enjoy many of those things which men covet, while the course of life which he pursued gained for him the respect and goodwill of all with whom he was associated.

PERSONS CAMPBELL

Persons Campbell, head of Campbell & Company, is one of the best known of Toledo's younger investment security dealers. He was born September 17, 1893, in this city, his parents being Thomas Bartlett and Lillian (La Barre) Campbell, the former a manufacturer.

Persons Campbell was educated in the public schools and in the Central high school, from which he was graduated with the class of 1911. Subsequently he entered Williams College at Williamstown, Massachusetts, there completing his studies. Throughout his active business life he has been identified with financial interests. He entered the brokerage field with the firm of Secor & Bell, with whom he remained until 1918. On the 1st of January of that year he entered the Third Officers' Training Camp at Devens, Massachusetts, as a private and was made ser-

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geant in April. He was then sent overseas to the Saumur Artillery School, where he was commissioned a second lieutenant on the 4th day of July, 1918, and assigned to Company E, Sixty-seventh Regiment. He was thus associated with the artillery forces until he received his discharge on the 15th of March, 1919.

With his return to Toledo, Mr. Campbell became identified with the firm of Sidney Spitzer & Company, remaining there for a year, at the end of which time he organized, on the 3d of April, 1920, the firm of Persons Campbell & Company to handle high grade investment securities. This firm was later known as Campbell & Kinsey. On January 5, 1923, this firm was dissolved and Mr. Campbell, together with his brother, Parker Campbell, founded the present firm of Campbell & Company. This firm has already gained a large clientage as dealers in corporation, government and municipal bonds and has acquired a high standing among the representative bond houses of Toledo. Persons Campbell is rapidly winning for himself a most creditable position in financial circles of the city, wherein has been the scene of his entire business career. He is also well known through his social connections, being a member of the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Toledo Tennis Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He likewise has membership in The Williams Club of New York city. Mr. Campbell has made a careful study of investments and his familiarity with high grade securities is of no small value to the large clientele he enjoys. He has a wide acquaintance in Toledo and stands with that progressive type of young men who are looking to the future with its opportunities and possibilities, not only for individual advancement in the attainment of success but also for the promotion of public welfare in harmony with the highest ideals of American citizenship. Mr. Campbell's home is at No. 2215 Parkwood avenue.

THEODORE SCHMITT, JR.

Theodore Schmitt, Jr., an outstanding figure in insurance and real estate circles in Toledo, has steadily advanced by reason of merit and capability, his powers having been developed through the exercise of effort, until he is today accounted one of the forceful and resourceful men in his chosen line. Toledo numbers him among her native sons, his birth having occurred May 8, 1883, his parents being Theodore and Josephine M. (La Point) Schmitt. Extended mention of the father is made on another page of this work.

Theodore Schmitt, Jr., attended the public schools of his native city, previously having been a pupil in St. Mary's school. He pursued further study in a business college and thus qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. He started out to provide for his own support as a messenger in the insurance department of the Theodore Schmitt Company and step by step advanced until he had worked his way upward to the position of assistant secretary. In 1912 he became identified with the Mutual Savings Association and was elected general manager and secretary thereof in 1920. The further scope of his business activities is indicated in the fact that he is the president and general manager of the Theodore Schmitt Company and also of the Krebs Realty Company. His knowledge of insurance and of the real estate business is comprehensive and exact, for his experience has been wide and varied, bringing him thorough understanding of all the different phases of the business. His mental alertness enables him readily to understand

any situation that may arise and to direct efforts to the benefit of the companies which he represents, with absolute fairness and justice to his clients as well.

On the 21st of September, 1904, Mr. Schmitt was married to Miss Pearl Venia McRill. He was formerly a commissioned officer of the Naval Reserves and was placed on the retired list in 1915 as a lieutenant, senior grade. Fraternally he is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and has membership in the Toledo Yacht Club, which indicates something of the nature of his interests along recreational lines. He is a young man of determined spirit, capable, alert, energetic, and possessing a laudable ambition that is the constant urge of his forward movement in the business world. His residence is at No. 350 Rockingham street.

ALBERT H. NEUKOM, Jr.

For many years the name of Neukom has figured prominently in commercial circles of Toledo in connection with the cut stone industry and Albert H. Neukom, Jr., is ably carrying forward the business established by his father. He was born in this city on the 21st of July, 1882, and is a son of Albert and Elizabeth (Buente) Neukom, who are of European birth and became residents of Toledo in early life. The father became the founder of the Albert Neukom Cut Stone Company, which he conducted successfully for many years, establishing his position as one of the leading business men of the city. He is now living retired in Toledo and the mother also survives. They have reared a family of five children: George, Mrs. Dora Sieger, Mrs. Elizabeth Forrest, Mrs. Helen Salem and Albert H.

In the public schools of this city Albert H. Neukom, Jr., obtained his education and after completing a course in manual training he entered his father's employ, starting in a humble capacity and working his way upward as he proved his worth and ability. In 1914 Albert Neukom, Sr., relinquished the management of the undertaking, which has since been controlled by the subject of this review, who acts as president and manager. He is proving an able successor of his father, never deviating from the high standards upon which the business was founded and displaying marked initiative and executive power in its conduct. He has installed modern labor-saving machinery whereby he obtains the same results from the work of from twelve to twenty men that were formerly secured from the utilization of one hundred employes. He has thoroughly systematized the business, obtaining in its operation the highest degree of efficiency with a minimum expenditure of time, labor and material, and through the adoption of modern progressive methods he has succeeded in greatly expanding the scope of the undertaking, which now ranks with the largest industries of the kind in the city.

Mr. Neukom was married March 17, 1909, to Miss Julia Jacobs, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Jacobs, members of old and prominent families of the city, and they have two children: Albert Neukom (III), who was born in 1914; and Betty Ruth, born in 1916. Both are natives of Toledo and public school pupils. Mr. Neukom is a Lutheran in religious faith and his political support is given to the republican party. He is a blue lodge Mason and has membership with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Automobile Club of this city. His advancement has been won through his own efforts, for he began his business career as a water carrier and is now at the head of one of the large manufacturing enterprises of

Toledo. He worthily bears an honored family name and that he is a man of strict integrity and substantial worth is indicated by the esteem in which he is held by those among whom his life has been passed.

WALTER R. RAY

Walter R. Ray, a man of keen discernment and sound judgment, is well known in business circles of Toledo as resident manager of the Maumee Oil Refining Company, and he is well fitted for the duties and responsibilities which revolve upon him in this connection, being thoroughly familiar with every phase of the oil industry, to which he has devoted his attention for the past eighteen years. He was born in New Haven, Connecticut, August 8, 1884, a son of Maurice A. and Emma C. (Rogers) Ray, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of Indiana. The father came to the United States with his parents and the family home was established in Savannah, Georgia. Later he removed to Illinois and in that state he enlisted for service in the Civil war as a private, becoming a member of one of the regimental bands. This was in 1861 and later he reenlisted, participating in many hard fought engagements, during one of which he was taken prisoner, and for two years was confined in Andersonville prison. After receiving his discharge he married Miss Rogers and removed with his bride to New Haven, Connecticut, where he entered business circles, securing the contract for sprinkling the city streets and also conducting a retail coal yard. Later they became residents of Terre Haute, Indiana, and there Mr. Ray's demise occurred in 1898. The mother survives and is now living in Brooklyn, New York. In their family were four children: Mrs. Carlotta L. Blissard, a resident of Gibson City, Illinois; Walter R.; Edward M., whose home is in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and John L., of New York city.

In the acquirement of an education Walter R. Ray attended the grammar schools of New Haven, Connecticut, and the high school at Terre Haute, Indiana, and after laying aside his textbooks he took up the study of law in the office of Harry J. Baker, a well known attorney of Terre Haute. Later he was employed along various lines until his appointment as deputy county clerk of Vigo county, Indiana, and after serving in that capacity for a term he entered the office of Alvin L. Higgins, a prominent lawyer of Terre Haute, with whom he remained for several months, devoting his attention to the mastery of the principles of jurisprudence. In 1904 he became connected with the oil business as an employe of the firm of William C. Robinson & Sons of Baltimore, Maryland, and for five and a half years was in their office in that city, when he was sent to Indianapolis, Indiana, to take charge of their interests at that point. In 1908 he went to Chicago and devoted three years to building up the business of the company in that city, leaving their service in 1910 to become a salesman for the Viscosity Oil Company of Chicago. He continued to represent that concern until 1915, when he resigned and embarked in the oil business on his own account, but disposed of his interest in the undertaking in 1918 and two years later became one of the organizers of the Maumee Oil Refining Company. The business is incorporated for five hundred thousand dollars under the laws of the state of Delaware, with headquarters in New York city, and the present officers are Franklin S. Jerome, president; Mrs. S. W. C. Jones, vice president; Robert K. Waller, secretary; and C. L. Hopkins, treasurer. The Maumee Oil Refining Company refines used oil, which has been drained from automobile crank

cases. This oil is secured from most of the larger cities lying between Boston and New York city and Kansas City, Missouri. The by-products obtained from this used oil are high grade motor oils, naphtha, kerosene, gas oil and fuel oil.

Mr. Ray has charge of the manufacturing end of the business at the refinery. It is rather interesting to know that this company collected and refined during its first fiscal year over one million gallons of motor crank case oil which had before been thrown away and wasted. During the second year of the company's existence it was necessary to more than double the refining capacity of the refinery because they secured twice as much waste oil as they did during the first year in business.

At Terre Haute, Indiana, on the 6th of June, 1908, Mr. Ray was united in marriage to Miss Blanch Booker and they now have a daughter, Elizabeth Jane, who was born in Chicago, September 26, 1909, and is a student at the Scott high school of Toledo. Mr. Ray is independent in his political views, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations, and as a member of the Toledo Commerce Club he is endeavoring to promote the industrial prosperity of the city. He has won success by industry, ability and integrity and these qualities unite to make him an upright man and useful citizen. He is highly regarded in business circles of Toledo and has many friends whose esteem he has won and retained by reason of his high principles and fine personal qualities.

CARL V. TORGLER

Carl V. Torgler, a native son of Toledo, is at the head of a large motor sales company and is thus prominently connected with an industry which has been one of the chief factors in the development and upbuilding of the city. He was born April 6, 1879, and his parents were Ernest and Augusta (Schaefer) Torgler, the former a native of France and the latter of Saginaw, Michigan. When ten years of age the father came to the United States and his education was acquired in the public schools of Ohio. Upon starting out in life for himself he chose the occupation of farming, which he followed in Lucas county until he reached the age of twenty-two, when he enlisted for service in the Civil war, joining the Thirty-seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry, of which he was made flag bearer. He remained in the service for three years and six months and while he participated in many notable engagements he was never wounded. After receiving his discharge he resumed his farming operations and is still actively identified with agricultural pursuits, although he has reached the advanced age of eighty-three years. The mother passed away in February, 1920. Mr. and Mrs. Torgler were the parents of eight children: Ernest R., deceased; Louis G., a resident of Detroit, Michigan; and Mrs. Augusta Jackson, Mrs. Edith Butler, Walter, Herbert H., Arthur and Carl V., all of whom are living in Toledo.

Carl V. Torgler attended the country schools, the Central high school of Toledo and the Davis Business College of this city and afterward filled clerical positions with various firms. In 1917 he established himself in the automobile business and is now serving as president of the Torgler Motor Sales Company, which handles the Stearns-Knight cars and the Elcar and International trucks. He has made a careful study of the business and keeps in close touch with all new developments in the automobile industry. He has instituted many well devised plans for the promotion of his business, which he conducts along the most modern and progressive lines, and

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has established his position among the most enterprising and reliable automobile dealers of the city.

On the 16th of June, 1904, Mr. Torgler was married to Miss Olga Pauline Huebner, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Huebner, prominent residents of this city, and they have two children: Olga Marie, who was born in 1906 and is a student at the Waite high school; and Mary Jane, who was born in 1912 and is attending the Harvard grammar school of Toledo. Mr. Torgler is not bound by party ties but casts his ballot for those men and measures that he deems will best conserve the public weal. He is a Knights Templar Mason and in the consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. He is also a member of Zenobia Temple, Mystic Shrine, of which he is president of the board and a trustee. He is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church and obtains needed recreation through his connection with the Maumee River Yacht Club of which he is vice president and a member of the board ot directors. In business affairs he has made steady progress, his capable management and indefatigable industry constituting the basis upon which he has built his prosperity, and he is widely and favorably known in this city, in which his life has been passed. Mr. Torgler's residence is at No. 224 University boulevard.

W. A. VOIGT

W. A. Voigt, president and treasurer of the Toledo Dental Supply Company, belongs to that class of men who owe their success to hard work and perseverance and his life has ever been actuated by a spirit of progress that has been productive of substantial results. He is widely and favorably known in this city, in which his life has been passed, and was born December 25, 1883. His parents, William and Emily (Mueller) Voigt, were of European birth and emigrated to the United States, establishing their home in Toledo during the early part of the year 1883. The father was prominently identified with mercantile interests, devoting his attention to the shoe business for many years, and his demise occurred in this city in 1888. The mother is now a resident of Chicago, Illinois. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Voigt, namely: Mrs. H. Anderson, Mrs. W. Coventry and Mrs. L. Martin, all of whom are living in Chicago; Dr. C. B. Voigt, a leading dentist of Lorain, Ohio; E. H. Voigt, who is engaged in the dental supply business at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and W. A. Voigt of this review.

The grammar schools of Toledo afforded W. A. Voigt his educational privileges and after laying aside his textbooks he secured a clerical position with the Ransom & Randolph Company, dealers in dental supplies and surgical instruments. He remained with that firm for six years, during which period he gained a practical knowledge of the business, and then took up the study of dentistry in the University of Illinois, but did not engage in practice. Instead he entered the service of the Chicago Dental Supply Company in the capacity of traveling salesman and later represented other houses of a similar character in that city, being thus employed for sixteen years. His duties frequently brought him to this city, and seeing a good opening for a business of this kind here, he organized the Toledo Dental Supply Company, of which he is now serving as president and treasurer. Since its inception the business has rapidly developed and the trade of the firm covers a wide territory, its representatives visiting all sections of the United States. The firm handles exclusively the products of the Flint Dental Manufacturing Company, As-

cher Import Company, Diamond Dental Specialties, Imported H. D. Justi Teeth, Baker & Company, Incorporated, products, and numerous others. Close study and broad practical experience have given Mr. Voigt a specialized knowledge of the dental supply business and he carefully supervises every detail of its management, keeping it not only in line but rather in the lead of the progressive organizations of this nature.

Mr. Voigt is a Lutheran in religious faith. His political support is given to the republican party. He is a blue lodge Mason and his public spirit finds expression in his membership in the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. With a mind commercially comprehensive, quick to perceive and act, he has taken advantage of circumstances and bent them to his will. One of the most important business undertakings in the city stands as a monument to his initiative spirit, his enterprise and his ability and Toledo is proud to claim him as a native son.

ROY WILLIAM BABCOCK

Roy William Babcock, a member of a family which for three generations has been represented in Toledo, typifies in his life the spirit of progress and enterprise which has been a dominant force in the development and upbuilding of the city and although but thirty years of age he is now at the head of a large dairy and has already won a measure of success which many an older man might well envy. He was born in this city on the 19th of March, 1892, and is a son of William Henry and Jennie (Braunschweriger) Babcock, also natives of this city, which has always been their home. Both the paternal and maternal grandparents of the subject of this review came to Toledo during the pioneer period of its development and each volunteered for service in the Civil war. They remained residents of the city until called to their final rest. William H. Babcock is devoting his attention to dairy farming and is the owner of one of the finest farms in Lucas county. Mrs. Babcock also survives and they have become the parents of four children: Roy William, Walter, Mrs. E. Urie and Mrs. William Forman, all of Toledo.

The grammar and high schools of this city afforded Roy W. Babcock his educational opportunities and after completing his studies he turned his attention to the milk business. For some time he had charge of his father's business and later organized the Babcock Dairy Company, of which he is sole owner. In 1919 he erected his present plant, which is equipped for the pasteurization of milk and cream and is the largest independent dairy in the country, utilizing forty-one employes. It is valued at one hundred thousand dollars and is modern in every respect, particular attention being given to sanitation. Mr. Babcock conducts the business along the most progressive lines, securing a high degree of efficiency in its management, and there is a large demand for the products of his dairy because of their purity and wholesomeness.

On the 17th of August, 1915, Mr. Babcock was married to Miss Ruth Margaret Probeck, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Probeck of this city, and they have three children: Wayne Harold, who was born April 4, 1917; Betty Jean, born November 25, 1919; and Ruth Margaret, born December 23, 1921. Mr. Babcock is a member of the Pilgrim Congregational church of Toledo, of which he is serving as a trustee, and his political support is given to the republican party. He is deeply interested in the welfare and advancement of his city and is a member of both the Toledo

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and West Toledo Chambers of Commerce. He is also connected with the Exchange Club and is a York Rite Mason, while in the Scottish Rite Consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree and is a Shriner. He is an exceptionally capable and progressive young business man whose rapidly expanding powers have placed him in a position of leadership in his chosen field of activity and Toledo is proud to claim him as one of her native sons.

MILTON HENRY GASSER

Milton Henry Gasser is the president of the Gasser Coffee Company of Toledo, a business that has been in existence since 1906. Previous to its organization Mr. Gasser was employed along the same line, so that he brought broad knowledge and experience to bear in the conduct of his own affairs. Success has attended the undertaking from the beginning and the business is today one of large and profitable proportions. Mr. Gasser is numbered among the native sons of Lucas county, Ohio, his birth having occurred at Auburndale, April 20, 1869, his parents being Joseph and Elmira (Gordnier) Gasser. The father was a contractor in early manhood and afterward turned his attention to the business of market gardening and also operated a greenhouse.

Milton Henry Gasser pursued his education in the public schools until he had completed the high school course, after which he attended a business college. He initiated his commercial career as a clerk with the Milburn Wagon Company and afterward he became a salesman for a coffee manufacturing house, with which he remained for fifteen years. He steadily worked his way upward in that connection and for five years was sales manager of the business, thus directing the expansion and development of the trade. He became familiar with every phase of the coffee business, and actuated by a laudable ambition, he carefully saved his earnings until he felt that his capital and experience justified his embarkation in a similar enterprise. Accordingly, in 1906 he organized the Gasser Coffee Company, of which he has since been the president, and the steady growth of the business is indicated in the fact that the employes of the company now number one hundred. The trade covers a wide territory and the house is famed for the excellence of the product which it handles, as well as for the reliable business methods employed in caring for the patrons.

On the 14th of November, 1893, Mr. Gasser was married to Miss Blanche Bassler, a native of Pennsylvania, and they have an interesting family of five children: Raymond Fell, Leonard Milton, Carolyn Virginia, Alice Blanche and Eleanor Ruth. The religious faith of the family is that of the Trinity Episcopal church. Mr. Gasser belongs also to the Masonic fraternity and is a loyal follower of the teachings of the craft as well as of the religious organization with which he is identified. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and to the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. He is a valued member of the Rotary Club and was the first vice president following its organization. He was likewise the first vice president in the old Commerce Club. He is interested in all those forces which make for public progress and improvement, for the adoption of higher ideals in citizenship and for the upbuilding of the city through its business relations. In a word, his aid and influence are ever on the side of advancement and his ideals in all lines which affect the general welfare, are high. When leisure permits he turns to golf and

fishing for recreation and is a most companionable gentleman on trips of this character. He confines his attention largely, however, to his business, which has constantly expanded, its steady growth being measured by the indefatigable energy, the close application and the spirit of perseverance and progressiveness which characterize the life of its president.

FRED ALVIN ARMSTRONG

Fred A. Armstrong, one of the well known realtors of Toledo, identified with the business interests of this city since 1903, was born in Toronto, Ontario, March 16, 1875, a son of Dr. Thomas Armstrong. He completed his education, after attending the public schools of his native city, as a student in the Upper Canada College and in Toronto University and was a young man of twenty-eight years when he crossed the border into the United States, going to Cleveland in 1903, where he became associated with the Kingsley Paper Company. In 1907 he was sent by that firm to represent its interests in Toledo and after residing here for a number of years he became identified with the Close Realty Company, with which he was associated until 1920. In that year he formed a partnership with Albert W. Allemeier and Joseph Kromenacker, under the style of Fred A. Armstrong & Company and already the firm has made for itself a most enviable position in realty circles in this city. Mr. Armstrong's previous experience well qualified him to engage in the business in this way, for he has intimate knowledge of property value and is thoroughly familiar with the realty upon the market. He has negotiated many important transfers and the clientage of the firm is extensive.

In 1903 Mr. Armstrong was united in marriage to Miss Rachel Fuller, and they have one child, Gordon T. L., born in Cleveland, Ohio, February 13, 1907. Mr. Armstrong belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, to the Toledo Yacht Club and to the Toledo Auto Club, being well known in these connections, and he directs his activities in those fields where the best interests of the public are conserved and where further progress along the lines of municipal and civic upbuilding is achieved.

BENJAMIN W. PATRICK, M. D.

For nearly two decades Dr. Benjamin W. Patrick has devoted his attention to the practice of medicine and surgery and his ability has won for him rank with the leading members of the profession in Toledo. He was born in Norwalk, Ohio, August 21, 1877, of the marriage of Shepard J. and Ida (Whitney) Patrick, who were also natives of that town. The father was a well known locomotive engineer and one of the most faithful and trusted employes of the New York Central Railroad Company, in whose service he remained for fifty years. He passed away in September, 1921. The mother is now living in Davenport, Iowa. They became the parents of three children: Mrs. Bert Denman, Benjamin W., and one who died in infancy.

Following his graduation from the Central high school of Toledo, Benjamin W. Patrick became a student in the Ohio State Normal School at Ada, after which he engaged in the drug business in Toledo, spending nine years in that connection and

building up a large and profitable trade. He then entered the Toledo College of Medicine, from which he was graduated in 1903, and began his professional career in this city, where he has built up a large practice. He has never lost the attitude of a student toward his profession and has taken postgraduate work in Chicago and also at the Mayo Brothers Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota, thus promoting his knowledge and skill. During 1912 he was chief surgeon of the Lucas County Hospital and his professional labors have been attended by excellent results. He also has important business interests and is serving as treasurer of the Rutter Pottery Company of this city.

On the 14th of September, 1899, Dr. Patrick was united in marriage to Miss Nina Dean Fowler, a daughter of Louis and Delia Fowler of Toledo, and they have two children: Paul F., who was born June 18, 1903, and is attending the Woodward high school; and Vincent C., who was born August 5, 1913, and is also a pupil in the public schools.

Dr. Patrick is a member of the Presbyterian church and at national elections he casts his ballot in favor of the candidates of the republican party, but when local questions are involved he supports the man whom he considers best qualified for office, regardless of party ties. He keeps in touch with the advancement that is being made along professional lines through his membership with the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the Industrial Surgeons of the United States and he is also connected with the Catholic Hospital Association and the Toledo Academy of Medicine. He is a York Rite Mason and in the Scottish Rite Consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias, of which he is a past chancellor, the Woodmen of America, the Tribe of Ben Hur, the North American Union, the National Union and the Maumee River Yacht Club. Merit has gained him his advancement and his professional colleagues and the public accord him a position of prominence in his chosen field.

WILLIAM PRESTLER

Among the varied mercantile enterprises which are factors in Toledo's commercial prosperity is that controlled by William Prestler, who limits his trade to the sale of church vestments and altar goods, and for thirty years he has successfully conducted his present business in this city. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, July 13, 1859, and his parents, George and Magdalene (Zimmerman) Prestler, were of Bavarian birth. In early life they emigrated to the United States, and after residing for a time in Brooklyn, New York, they came to Ohio, first locating at Cleveland and later removing to Sandusky, where both passed away. The father was a baker and always followed that trade. To Mr. and Mrs. George Prestler were born eight children, of whom five survive, namely: William, Fred, Mrs. C. J. Winkler and Mrs. Louis Menitt, all of whom reside in Toledo; and Mrs. Leonard Fessler of Brooklyn, New York.

William Prestler attended the grade schools of Sandusky, Ohio, to the age of thirteen and then served an apprenticeship to the baker's trade, which he followed for a time.

On the 7th of June, 1887, Mr. Prestler was united in marriage to Miss Mary Kaelin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aloys Kaelin, who came to Toledo from Switzerland in 1875. Mr. Kaelin will be remembered by many as one of the prominent

musicians and teachers of music of that time. Mr. Kaelin also established the Catholic Church Goods and Religious Articles Store, at 521 Cherry street, from which business he retired in 1892. At that time Mr. Prestler moved to Toledo and established the present business, specializing as United States representative for the firm of Fraefel & Company, St. Gall, Switzerland, manufacturers of fine church vestments, banners and altar vestures, he being the exclusive distributor in this country for the above firm. The Swiss people have long been noted for their skill in art needlework and they have reached the highest possible degree in this art. The goods which Mr. Prestler carries are of exquisite workmanship and are widely known and patronized from all sections of the country, through a large mail order business and a number of traveling men.

Mr. Prestler founded his business upon the principles of honor and integrity and from these he has never deviated, while in the control of the undertaking he displays initiative, enterprise and administrative ability. Well merited success has attended his efforts and he is now at the head of a business of large proportions and one which confers prestige upon the city in which his operations are conducted.

Through continued increase of business and to facilitate the same, Mr. Prestler associated himself with one of his traveling men, Mr. Carl Giezendanner, a few years ago and since that time conducts the business under the name of William Prestler Company, located at 521 Cherry street, where Mrs. Prestler's father had established business in the same line of goods more than forty years ago.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. Prestler was blessed with six children: Those who have passed away are: Carl, who died at the age of six; Albert, who was twenty-one; and Amelia, who was six months old. The three living are: Bertha, a graduate of Notre Dame Academy; Josephine, who also completed her education in that institution; and Mary C., who graduated from the Ursuline Academy of this city.

Mr. Prestler is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church and a member of St. Mary's parish. He is identified with the Knights of Columbus and the Chamber of Commerce and through his membership is always interested to promote the business development of the city with which he has allied his interests. His record is a highly commendable one, indicating what may be accomplished through untiring effort and determined purpose, when guided by intelligence and sound judgment.

From the age of thirteen years his life has been one of unremitting industry and none can grudge him his success, so worthily and honorably won.

WILLIAM HERBERT ALBRECHT

William Herbert Albrecht, recognized as a dynamic force among the younger representatives of business interests in Toledo, is now the treasurer of The Inter State Mining and Coal Company. He is making steady advancement in the conduct of his affairs, for in his vocabulary there is no such word as fail and everything which he attempts is carried forward to successful completion. Mr. Albrecht is a native of Terre Haute, Indiana, born January 17, 1882, his parents being William Herbert and Lena S. (Stubinger) Albrecht, the former a dry goods merchant. Having mastered the branches of learning taught in the public schools of his native city, William H. Albrecht afterward became a student in the Culver Military Academy at Culver, Indiana, and later entered the Columbian University, now the George Washington University, at Washington, D. C., from which he was gradu-

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ated as a member of the class of 1904. When his education was completed he became associated with his father in the dry goods business, continuing in that line for a time, while later he went to New York and also spent a period in the manufacturing trade in Toledo. He came to this city to reside in 1915 and in the following year organized the Inter State Coal Company, of which he was secretary and treasurer. In December, 1922, the business was incorporated as The Inter State Mining & Coal Company, of which he became treasurer. They mine and ship steam and domestic coals, operating in Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana and Kentucky, and the business has been developed along substantial lines productive of gratifying results. He organized the Toledo Commission & Sales Company, doing a general brokerage and commission business and has been treasurer since its inception. He finds pleasure in mechanical development and is interested in watching progress along these lines. As a business man he is thoroughgoing, energetic and systematic, building upon a substantial foundation and at all times making wise use of his talent and opportunity.

In his fraternal relations Mr. Albrecht is a Mason and an Elk, loyally following the teachings and purposes of these organizations. He has been a member of the New York Athletic Club since 1905 and by reason of his social and business connections is well known in the eastern metropolis and in various other sections of the country.

ALBERT W. ALLEMEIER

Albert W. Allemeier, who has been connected with various lines of business in Toledo, making steady and consistent progress in each, is now the president of the Smith-Allemeier-Gulick Company, realtors. He was born in Fort Jennings, Putnam county, Ohio, March 20, 1890, his parents being Henry and Mary Allemeier. His education was acquired in the Segur Avenue and Washington schools of Toledo and later he attended the Toledo University. He was first connected with the Stolberg & Parks furniture store and it was while thus employed that he formulated a plan of establishing a furniture plant on his own account. His ideas reached their fulfillment in the organization of the firm of Allemeier & Son and though the business was begun on a small scale it has been steadily increased and has developed into the Woodcraft Company, of which Mr. Allemeier is the president of the board of directors. He was also associated with the Toledo post office in the railway mail service and in the spring of 1918 he extended his efforts into still another field, by becoming identified with the E. H. Close Realty Company. In this connection he gained comprehensive knowledge of real estate activities and in the spring of 1920 he formed a partnership with Fred A. Armstrong and Joeseph Kromenacker, the former also one of the representatives of the E. H. Close Realty Company, under the style of Fred A. Armstrong & Company. Of this company he was the vice president until September, 1922, when the Smith-Allemeier-Gulick Company was organized. Still another field of activity claims his attention and energies and profits by his sound judgment and business enterprise, for he is the secretary and treasurer of the Fort Miami Company.

In the year 1917 Mr. Allemeier was married to Miss Iona Erswell and they have become parents of one son, Roy Forest Allemeier. Mr. Allemeier gives his political allegiance to the republican party and is a stalwart champion of its principles. His

interests and activities outside of business also cover a wide scope, for he belongs to Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., and Toledo Chapter, R. A. M., also to O-Ton-Ta-La Grotto. He is likewise a member of the Toledo Yacht Club and of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He is a representative young business man of the city, alert, energetic and actuated by a laudable ambition and at the same time he recognizes his duties and obligations in connection with the general welfare and is altogether a public-spirited citizen.

MILTON EDWARD GOLDMANN

Statistics show that failure or mediocre success awaits the majority of those who enter upon business activities. The cause of this is found in a lack of persistency of purpose and inadequacy of judgment in the valuation of opportunities and conditions. Milton Edward Goldmann, however, seems well qualified in all those things which go to make for success, as through individual effort he has become one of the prominent cloak manufacturers of the country, being today the president of the firm of The Cohen, Friedlander & Martin Company. He is a native son of Toledo, born September 15, 1878, his parents being Edward and Fannie (Gusdorff) Goldmann. The father was a merchant who first came to Toledo in 1866 and was thereafter closely associated with the commercial interests of the city.

The son, Milton Edward Goldmann, was educated in the Toledo public schools and in the Toledo University and initiated his business career by entering the employ of Cohen, Friedlander & Martin in the capacity of stock clerk in 1897. Gradually he has won advancement until eventually he became a stockholder and officer of the company and in 1922 was chosen to the presidency. Something of the vast volume of business controlled by the company is indicated in the fact that they employ four hundred people at the Toledo plant and about an equal number in other plants working exclusively for them in Cleveland and at other points. They manufacture the well known "Redfern" coats and suits and find a ready sale for the output, holding to high standards in workmanship and in business methods, so that their patronage has steadily grown and developed.

Mr. Goldmann is a member of the Masonic fraternity and also belongs to the Progress Club of Toledo and to the Criterion Club of New York. He enjoys golf, fishing and travel and turns to these for recreation, bringing him relief from the onerous cares of an extensive business. Throughout his life he has carefully improved his opportunities and made good use of his advantages and his entire career is an indication of what can be accomplished through individual effort, intelligently directed.

ZALE A. REUBEN

Zale A. Reuben, the first vice president of the Reuben Realty Company of Toledo, was born in this city on the 27th of November, 1894. Here at the usual age he became a public school pupil, passing through consecutive grades, and later he had the benefit of instruction in the Central high school of Detroit, Michigan, where he was graduated when seventeen years of age. He afterward returned to Toledo,

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where he started in the real estate business and through the intervening period he has operated along this line. In 1911 he became associated with his brother, Al E. Reuben, under the style of the Reuben Realty Company. Since that time the business has constantly grown, the number of their clients increasing year by year, so that after a time they were obliged to seek enlarged quarters and today occupy the commodious ground floor offices at Nos. 607 and 609 Madison avenue. Even with what formerly seemed a spacious suite the Reuben organization is now cramped for space and plans are being discussed concerning the remodeling and construction of a model real estate building on the property at 311 Superior street, which was purchased by the company for office purposes two years ago. Their plan is to build on that site one of the most complete real estate buildings in the country—one that will house their attorneys, architects, building and insurance departments and all the other branches of a thoroughly modern and up-to-date realty organization. Steady advancement has marked the trend of business under the direction of the Reuben Company, which has long occupied a place in the front ranks of the realtors of Toledo. The brothers have platted twenty-eight additions, which have featured largely not only in the city's expansion but also in its adornment, and they are now planning to place several more allotments on the market. They are continually seeking out new fields for their activity and show marked initiative in carrying on the business. The Reuben Realty Company was incorporated in 1915 and they have specialized since in handling subdivision properties, one of these being Reno-by-the-Lake, comprising nine hundred and forty-seven acres, another being Elmwood Park in West Toledo, containing two hundred and fifty building sites. Still another is the Gorny addition, comprising six hundred building lots. The company also maintains in connection with the sale of realty an extensive building department for the purpose of erecting homes and they employ seventy-five people. Zale A. Reuben is the first vice president of this company, with his brother as the president, and he is also the secretary and a director of the Toledo Mortgage Company. The brothers have conducted their interests along the most progressive lines. The labors of the one seem amply to supplement and round out the labors of the other, making this a strong and resourceful firm, while their interests and activities are constantly expanding and have now reached mammoth proportions.

Mr. Reuben makes his home with his brother. Fraternally he is connected with the Masonic lodge and also with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is well known to the membership of the Toledo Yacht Club and the Oliver Park Riding Club, in which his geniality and good cheer are considered valuable assets, while the circle of his friends, not only through club relationship but in other walks of life as well, is constantly increasing.

FRANK M. GULICK

Frank M. Gulick, a resident of Toledo since 1914 and now engaged in the real estate business with the firm of The Smith-Allemeier-Gulick Company, has also became quite active in local political circles as a supporter of republican principles. Mr. Gulick is a native of the neighboring state of Indiana, his birth having occurred in Granger, Saint Joseph county, Indiana, on the 2d of May, 1880, his parents being Charles M. and Frances Elizabeth Gulick. He was graduated from the public schools and further pursued his studies in the Mishawaka, Indiana, high school.

His youthful experiences were those of the farm bred boy who divides his time between the acquirement of an education, the pleasures of the playground and the duties assigned in connection with the cultivation of the fields. He continued to assist upon the farm until he had attained his majority and then removed to Petoskey, Michigan, where he secured a clerkship with the Hamill Grocery Company. He occupied that position for some time and then resigned to enter the employ of the American Express Company, with which he served in various capacities until 1916, when he resigned to enter the real estate field. He had become a resident of Toledo in 1914 and after two years turned his attention to the real estate business and is now associated with The Smith-Allemeier-Gulick Company. He is rapidly becoming a well known figure in realty circles here and has made steady and substantial progress in the business.

On the 1st of October, 1902, Mr. Gulick was married to Miss Maude M. Dickes and their children are: Charles Leland, Merle Amerson, Frances Elizabeth, Florence Margaret and Virginia Maud. Mr. Gulick is a member of the Northern Light Masonic Lodge, also Viking Lodge, I. O. O. F., and the Knights of Malta. He was formerly the secretary of the South Toledo Commerce Club and he is a member of the Toledo Auto Club. In politics he is a stanch republican and for two years served as chairman of the eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth wards, taking active and helpful part in shaping the course of the party in this district and at all times manifesting a keen interest in the public welfare.

E. CLIFTON JONES

E. Clifton Jones, vice president of the Eagan Brothers Company of Toledo, has devoted his life to the plumbing business and industry and ability have brought him to his present position as one of the leading representatives of commercial activity in this city. He was born at Anderson, Indiana, August 22, 1879, and his parents, Charles Harden and Margaret (Fits) Jones, were also natives of the Hoosier state. The father was a well known carpenter and contractor of Anderson and there passed away. The mother still resides in the old family homestead.

E. Clifton Jones, their only child, attended the public schools of Anderson, Indiana, and afterward served an apprenticeship with a local firm of plumbers. He then left his native state and traveled extensively through Kansas and Oklahoma, working at his trade. In 1905 he came to Toledo, securing a position with Eagan Brothers, a large plumbing and heating concern of this city, and when the business was incorporated in 1915 Mr. Jones was made vice president of the company, which office he has since filled. His progressive spirit and expert knowledge of the trade have been valuable assets in the expansion of the business and he displays keen sagacity and strong executive force in the control of his interests. The firm has installed plumbing and heating systems in many plants and buildings in Toledo, as well as outside points, one of its most important contracts being for the Overland factory of this city. From thirty to sixty employes are required in the operation of the business and theirs is one of the largest enterprises of this nature in Toledo.

At Anderson, Indiana, on the 29th of September, 1903, Mr. Jones was married to Miss Myrtle M. League, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas League of Richmond, Indiana. At local elections Mr. Jones maintains an independent attitude, supporting the man whom he regards as best qualified for office, but when national

issues are at stake he casts his ballot in favor of the candidates of the republican party. He is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Maumee River Yacht Club and is also a valued member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants & Manufacturers Association. He is forceful, energetic and determined and the story of his life is the story of earnest endeavor, marked by an orderly progression that has at length placed him with the successful business men of the city. In all matters of citizenship he is loyal, progressive and public-spirited and during the period of his residence in Toledo he has gained a wide circle of friends.

THOMAS RILEY MANTON

Thomas Riley Manton, devoting his attention to law practice as a member of the firm of Manton & Manton, was born in Van Wert, Ohio, April 18, 1889, and is the son of the distinguished Judge John P. Manton, who has long been recognized as a representative member of the Ohio bar. His mother bore the maiden name of Mathilde M. Goulden. In the public schools Thomas R. Manton pursued his early education and afterwards attended St. John's College at Toledo, Ohio, from which he was graduated with the class of 1910. After the completion of his more specifically literary course he remained there as a law student and completed the prescribed law course with the class of 1915. In the same year he was admitted to the bar and through the intervening period has engaged in general practice. In January, 1921, he entered into partnership with his father, Judge Manton, under the present firm style. He is also the secretary and treasurer of the J. Stanley O'Connell Theatrical Company and the secretary of the Toledo Dental Supply Company, but he concentrates his efforts and attention upon the law and his progress has resulted from earnest effort, close application and the exercise of his native talents.

On the 20th of June, 1916, Mr. Manton was married to Miss Helen Murphy of Toledo and they have one daughter, Mary Eileen. Mr. Manton greatly enjoys golf and fishing, to which he turns for needed rest and recreation. He belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and in the line of his profession his connection is with the Lucas County Bar Association. Like his father, he is making steady progress in his chosen calling and is adding new luster to the family record as given in connection with the history of the Ohio bar.

CHARLES M. DEIBERT, M. D.

Dr. Charles M. Deibert possesses those qualities through which success comes as a natural sequence and the profession as well as the public accords him a prominent position among the medical practitioners of Toledo. He was born in Schnecksville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1868, and his parents, Solomon and Feyanna (Sell) Deibert, were also natives of the Keystone state. The Deibert family is one of the oldest in the United States, having been founded in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, as early as 1712, and in that section of the state Mr. and Mrs. Deibert were born, reared and married. The father devoted his life to the occupation of farming and they resided in Lehigh county until called to their final rest. They became the parents of ten children, of whom seven are living, namely:

J. P., who is serving as deputy comptroller of Lehigh county; M. H., a resident of South Boardman, Michigan; George S., a well known physician of Allentown, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Margaret Steckel of Bath, Pennsylvania; Mrs. J. S. Miller, whose husband is a minister at Hutchinson, Kansas; Mrs. Ella Baer, who is also living in Allentown, Pennsylvania; and Charles M.

In the acquirement of an education Charles M. Deibert attended the public schools and an academy at Schnecksville, Pennsylvania, after which he took up educational work, teaching in the schools of Lehigh valley for fifteen years. He then entered the medical department of the University of Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1894, and began practice at Millbury, Ohio, where he successfully followed his profession for twenty years. He also took a prominent part in public affairs, serving for one term as mayor of Millbury and for two terms as corporation clerk of Millbury, Ohio, while for eighteen years he filled the position of township health officer and for an equal period of time was a member of the board of education. He made a highly creditable record in each of these connections, doing effective service for the public good. In 1914 he came to Toledo and has devoted his attention to the study of internal medicine, specializing in diseases of the stomach and bowels, in the treatment of which he has been very successful, and he has also built up a large practice in this city. He has ever remained a deep and earnest student of his profession and in 1904 and 1914 attended clinics at the New York Post Graduate Hospital, thus acquiring additional knowledge and efficiency.

Dr. Deibert was married at Bloomdale, Ohio, January 1, 1895, to Miss Maude A. Slotterbeck, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Slotterbeck of that place, and they have become the parents of two sons: Lisle G. Deibert, the elder, was born in Millbury, Ohio, January 2, 1896, and acquired his education in the grammar schools of that place and the Waite high school of Toledo. He married Miss Caroline Newman of Toledo, and they reside in this city; Austin Vance Deibert was born in Millbury, May 8, 1904, and is now a junior at the Waite high school.

Dr. Deibert is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights and Ladies of Security and his professional connections are with the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical societies. In the field of professional service he has made continuous progress, gleaning from comprehensive study and research and from practical experience valuable truths in connection with the science of medicine, and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents.

HENRY STAUTZENBACH

Henry Stautzenbach, conducting a general commercial agency, handling real estate and commercial paper in Toledo, was born in this city July 3, 1861, and is a son of Jacob and Catherine (Dash) Stautzenbach, the former a well known brewer of the early day. The son obtained a public school education and as he approached young manhood secured a position as credit man with a merchandise house. For twelve years he was associated with Judge Sala and in 1906 he became interested in a general commercial agency, handling real estate and commercial paper. He is thoroughly familiar with property values and all kinds of bonds and other commercial paper and his judgment is at all times regarded as sound and reliable. He has likewise figured prominently in connection with public affairs of the city. For

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ten years he was a member of the board of trustees of the Toledo Workhouse and for five years acted as president of the board. His position upon vital public questions is never an equivocal one. He stands loyally in support of any cause which he espouses and his endorsement of a measure is always sure to secure to it further support because of his popularity and his influence.

In September, 1885, Mr. Stautzenbach was married to Miss Cora E. Spayd of Toledo and they have become parents of three children: Harry S., who is a commission merchant; Nellie, now Mrs. Charles Ayres of Toledo; and Mabel. Mr. Stautzenbach belongs to the Fraternal Order of Eagles, also to the Loyal Order of Moose, the Rangers, the Loyal Order of Lions, Woodmen of the World, German Beneficial Union, and the German Hausen Benevolent Society, being widely and favorably known to the membership of these different organizations. His advance in the business world has been won through the wise use of the opportunities that have come to him and the steady development of his inherent powers. Mr. Stautzenbach has resided at No. 1634 Western avenue since 1900.

HAROLD HARPER NORTON

Harold Harper Norton, secretary and treasurer of The Collin-Norton Company, is a native son of Toledo and a member of one of its old and prominent families. He has spent his life in this city and his business career, from the time he left high school, has been with banking, financial and investment interests. Mr. Norton was born November 19, 1885, and his parents were Elijah H. and Mary A. (Evans) Norton, the former a native of Cleveland, Ohio, and the latter of Troy, New York. The father came to Toledo about 1870 and he later became a member of the Keeler-Holcomb Company, bankers, whose interests were subsequently taken over by the Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank. Mr. Norton was one of the influential business men and highly respected residents of Toledo and his demise occurred in this city in 1886. The mother is still living. She came to Ohio in 1870 and has since made her home in this state. To Mr. and Mrs. Norton were born three children: R. E., whose home is in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Julia P. and H. H., both residents of Toledo.

Harold H. Norton acquired his education in his native city, being graduated from the Toledo high school in 1904, and his initial experience in financial affairs was obtained as a clerk with the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company, with which he remained for a year. He next secured a position in the Second National Bank, where he was employed for a similar length of time, and then became connected with the Northern Bank, with which he continued from 1906 until February, 1911, acting in the capacity of paying teller. On leaving that institution he joined the brokerage firm of Secor & Bell, with which he was identified until June 1, 1914, when he was made secretary of the Citizens Securities Company. In 1921 the business was reorganized, at which time the present style of The Collin-Norton Company was assumed, and Mr. Norton has since been secretary and treasurer. This company has enjoyed a remarkable growth and ranks with the leading stock brokerage and investment houses of Toledo. Their thorough reliability and progressive business methods have won for them a large and representative clientele. Broad experience has given Mr. Norton a comprehensive knowledge of financial affairs and the successful management of his business interests has given him a high posi-

tion among Toledo's able financial men. He is also one of the directors of the First National Bank.

Mr. Norton is independent in his political views and is a valued member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is also connected with the Rotary Club, the Toledo Country Club and the Toledo Club, and of the latter organization he is serving as treasurer and member of the board of trustees, while he also acts as chairman of the finance committee. Thoroughness and reliability have characterized all of his work and in business circles he has become recognized as a man of broad mind and good judgment. He is deeply interested in the welfare and progress of the city, and at all times has shown a public spirit and a civic pride that attests his value as a citizen.

WILLIAM GUSTAV SCHEUB

William Gustav Scheub, secretary and treasurer of the France Stone Company, was born in Bloomville, Ohio, September 23, 1886, a son of John and Heinricka (Seufert) Scheub.

William G. Scheub obtained a public school education and afterward took up the profession of teaching, which he followed successfully for four years. He felt that the field of labor was without proper remuneration, however, if one desired to win financial success and therefore he discontinued his labors in the schoolroom and began his business career as timekeeper for the France Stone Company in 1909. Gradually he advanced in this connection and was elected secretary and treasurer of the corporation, which also controls seven other corporations, and of three of these Mr. Scheub is the secretary and treasurer. Large interests are thus under his executive management to a considerable extent and in business affairs he displays sound judgment and discrimination, his enterprise and his wisdom being manifest in the success which has followed his labors.

On the 19th of July, 1911, Mr. Scheub was joined in marriage to Miss Ethel Rosenbush of Union City, Indiana, and they have become parents of four children: Ada Marie, Mary Elizabeth, William Henry and John George.

Mr. and Mrs. Scheub are members of the Memorial Reformed church and Mr. Scheub gives his political allegiance to the republican party, which he has supported since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He is well known in Masonic circles, being a past master of Barton Smith Lodge, No. 613, F. & A. M., also belonging to Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; Toledo Commandery, No. 7, K. T.; and has attained the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite.

Mr. Scheub's residence is at No. 525 Raymer boulevard.

SAM BELLMAN

One of the most successful business enterprises of Toledo is that controlled by the Sam Bellman Company, of which the subject of this review is the president. Starting with a small establishment, they are now operating a large chain of stores in the city and are numbered among its most enterprising and successful merchants. A native son of Toledo, Sam Bellman, was born April 16, 1887, of the marriage of

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Benjamin and Sarah (Ziegler) Bellman, the former a native of Russia and the latter of Austria. They were married in Toledo and the father became a merchant in this city. Through the capable management of his mercantile interests he accumulated a substantial competence and is now living retired in this city, in which he is widely known and highly esteemed. The mother also survives. Six children were born to their union: Mrs. Laura Rosenbaum; Mrs. Myrtle Blank; Sam; Morris, deceased; Nathan; and Louis.

Sam Bellman attended the public schools of Toledo to the age of fourteen and then became connected with his father's grocery business. When twenty-one years of age he established the first of the present chain of thirty-three stores, opening a small grocery at the corner of Erie and Jackson streets. He also built the West Toledo Market House and was the originator of a novel idea, a grocery store on wheels. It is mounted on a large motor truck, which carries a choice assortment of fresh vegetables, meats and staple groceries to the outlying points in Toledo and is a great convenience to the residents of those districts. He utilizes eighty-seven employes in the operation of the business, which is conducted under the style of the Sam Bellman Company. In the control of his interests he displays marked initiative, sound judgment and notable executive ability and his labors have been crowned with a very gratifying measure of success.

On the 25th of March, 1909, Mr. Bellman was married to Miss Hilda Michael, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Michael of this city, and they have a son, Leland, who was born May 29, 1912, and is attending the public schools. Mr. Bellman gives his political support to the republican party and as a member of the Chamber of Commerce he does all in his power to promote the industrial expansion of the city. He has never hesitated to extend his interests when the opportunity was presented and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents. He has ever based his activity in commercial affairs upon strict integrity and unabating industry and is a representative of the younger generation of business men whose energy and progressiveness promise so much for the development and upbuilding of the city.

JOSEPH KROMENACKER

Joseph Kromenacker, one of the organizers and partners in the real estate firm of the A & K Company, is a native son of Toledo, his birth having occurred on the 9th of December, 1883, his parents being Eugene and Katherine Kromenacker. The Catholic schools of the city accorded him his education opportunities and he started out in the business world as an employe of the Libbey Glass Company, with which he remained for twenty-two years, a fact indicative of his capability and faithful service. During that period he made steady advance, winning promotion from time to time, but at length he sought the opportunities offered in the real estate field and became a member of the sales organization of the E. H. Close Realty Company, in the spring of 1917. Since that time he has given his attention to the real estate business and in 1920 he entered into partnership with Fred A. Armstrong and Albert W. Allemeier, also representatives of the Close Realty Company, in the formation of the firm of Fred A. Armstrong & Company, which is now the A & K Company. Within a very short space of time the new organization had built up a good business and its progress has been continuous, so that at the present the

firm enjoys a large clientage. Fred A. Armstrong is the president; Albert W. Allemeier is the vice president; and Joseph Kromenacker is the secretary and treasurer.

In the year 1907 Mr. Kromenacker was married to Miss Loretta Conard and they became parents of two children: Blanche Anne and Betty Lou. The family is of the Catholic faith and Mr. Kromenacker belongs to the Knights of Columbus. He is also identified with the Toledo Commerce Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, and the Toledo Automobile Club. In politics he is an ardent democrat but concentrates the major part of his time and attention upon his business affairs and is now the secretary and treasurer of the A & K Company and vice president of the Fort Miami Company, the operations of which are steadily growing in volume and importance. Mr. Kromenacker resides on Edgewater drive.

RUFUS H. BAKER

Rufus H. Baker attended the public schools of Toledo and next became a student member of the firm of Smith, Baker, Effler, Allen & Eastman, has been prominently identified with various worthy business and public enterprises that have connected his name inseparably with the history of Toledo. At the present writing he not only figures in professional circles but is also vice president of the Home Savings Bank, one of the strong banking institutions of this city. Born in Toledo, on the 25th of September, 1858, he is a son of William and Frances C. (Latimer) Baker, the former a native of Ohio, while the latter was born in the state of New York, whence she removed to Ohio, becoming a resident of Norwalk. It was in the year 1844 that William Baker established his home in Toledo and to this city he brought his bride following their marriage in 1849, after which they continued to reside here for many years, the father becoming a successful and well known lawyer.

Rufus H. Baker attended the public schools of Toledo and next became a student in the Williston Seminary at Easthampton, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated. He then matriculated in the Law school of Columbia University in New York and is numbered among its alumni of 1879. Following his graduation he returned to Toledo, where he entered upon the active practice of his profession, which he has continued with marked success. Mr. Baker has become associated with other important business interests of the city as a director of the Milburn Wagon Company and as the vice president of the Home Savings Bank. His fellow members at the bar entertain for him high respect and confidence and his position among the local representatives of the profession is indicated in the fact that he has been president of the Toledo Law Association since 1915. He is likewise a member of the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations.

On the 16th of January, 1883, Mr. Baker was united in marriage to Miss Mary W. Howard of Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Howard, of a well known and prominent family. Mr. and Mrs. Baker have become parents of four children: Bessie, who was educated in the Toledo schools and at Dobbs Ferry, New York, and is now the wife of Frank N. Spencer of Bronxville, Westchester county, New York, and they have six children, Ridgway, Frank N., Pauline, Joseph M., Harold B. and Jane Spencer; Pauline, the second child in Mr. Baker's family, was educated in Toledo; Herbert H., the only son, continued his education after leaving the city schools, in the Hotchkiss school at Lakeville, Connecticut, and then entered Yale, from which classic old institution he was graduated in 1910. He is now

treasurer of the Owen Bottle Company. He married Miss Katherine M. Kinsey of this city and they have three children, Herbert H., Katherine M. and Richard Baker; Marjorie, the fourth of the family, was educated at Dobbs Ferry, New York.

Through social connections, as well as in the profession, Mr. Baker has become widely known, having membership in the Toledo, Country, Commerce and Automobile clubs. The major part of his time and attention, however, is given to his activities as a representative of the Toledo bar. He was first associated in law practice with his father, the firm being known as W. & R. H. Baker from 1880 until 1881. On the 1st of July of the latter year a third partner, Barton Smith, was admitted, and the firm style became Baker, Smith & Baker and so continued until 1895, after the death of the senior member, William Baker. The firm was then Smith & Baker for a time, while other partners coming into it led to the adoption of the present style of Smith, Baker, Effler, Allen & Eastman. This is one of the strongest law combinations of Toledo, and extensive and important is the practice that has been accorded Rufus H. Baker from the beginning of his professional career.

WALTER LEE SLAYTON

Walter Lee Slayton, head and founder of the bond house of W. L. Slayton & Company, has had long experience in the investment security business and is a well known figure in financial circles of Toledo. He was born in Dundee, Monroe county, Michigan, May 25, 1876, a son of William Earl and Ella (Burns) Slayton. His father was engaged in the lumber business and also in the manufacture of brick and tile. Leaving Michigan, he removed to Toledo in 1895 and here carried on business as a contractor and builder.

Walter L. Slayton was a youth of nineteen years when the family home was established in this city, where he has since resided. He began his business career in a Toledo general store, where he was employed for five years as buyer, and then became connected with the firm of Spitzer & Company, with whom he remained as a bond salesman for ten years. At the expiration of that period, with William K. Terry and Clarence D. Briggs, he formed a partnership under the firm name of Terry, Briggs & Slayton, to deal in municipal bonds, and when he withdrew from this partnership in January, 1917, he established the house of W. L. Slayton & Company, for the purchase and sale of municipal, county, township, school, road and drainage bonds. The growth of the business has been remarkable and has carried the firm to a prominent position among the leading bond houses in this section of the country. The home office occupies the entire fourth floor of the Dime Savings Bank building and buying offices are maintained in Chicago, New Orleans, Tampa, Florida, Raleigh, North Carolina, Glasgow, Montana, and Austin, Texas. Among his other business connections Mr. Slayton organized the W. L. Slayton Realty Company, of which he has been president since its inception. He also owns and operates Slayton's greenhouses.

On the 25th of October, 1899, Mr. Slayton was married to Miss Mammie L. Paul of Dundee, Michigan, and they are parents of one son, Walter Lee, Jr., born November 29, 1908, in Toledo.

Mr. Slayton belongs to the Ottawa Park Riding Club, and he has membership in the Inverness Club, the Toledo Club and the Commerce Club. His connection

with these and his activity in the business field have brought him a wide acquaintance, not only in this city, but throughout the country. His home is at No. 2476 Glenwood avenue.

HENRY AUGUST MARTI

Henry August Marti, one of the organizers of the Maumee Malleable Castings Company, and its treasurer from the beginning, was born in Ottawa Lake, Michigan, on the 9th of October, 1885, a son of Jacob and Anna (Klosterhour) Marti. The father devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits and Henry A. Marti was reared on the home farm. His educational opportunities were those afforded by the public schools and he started out in the business world as an office boy in the employ of the Gendron Wheel Company at Toledo. He afterward spent eight years in the capacity of railroad clerk and in 1914 became associated with the United States Malleable Casting Company, thus gaining intimate knowledge of a business along the line of which he continues. After two years spent in that connection he became one of the organizers, in 1916, of the Maumee Malleable Castings Company and was chosen treasurer upon its organization. In the six years of its existence the company has prospered, building up a business of gratifying proportions. Mr. Marti is also the vice president of the Ohio Savings Association, being chosen to that office on its reorganization in 1920.

On the 8th of July, 1908, was celebrated the marriage of Henry August Marti and Miss Sophia M. Vick of Toledo and they are now parents of two children, Theone Louise and Donald Vick. Mr. Marti is a member of Calumet Lodge, No. 612, F. & A. M.; Port Lawrence Chapter, No. 176, R. A. M.; Vistula Council, No. 108, R. & S. M.; and Eu-Tah Commandery, No. 66, Knights Templars. He is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and also to the East Side Chamber of Commerce and heartily cooperates with those organizations in the systematized effort to improve business conditions, to extend trade relations and to maintain high standards of civic virtue and of civic activity.

HIRAM A. SMITH

Practically every line of business to which men resort for a living and the attainment of fortune has its representation in Toledo, and many men of most enterprising and progressive spirit have directed their labors here, resulting not only in the upbuilding of individual fortunes but in the commercial growth and development of the city. Well known in this connection is Hiram A. Smith, the vice president and secretary of the Smith-Kirk Candy Company, now one of the leading concerns of the kind in the city. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, September 24, 1886, and is a son of Jerome H. and Helen (Ridlon) Smith an extended mention of whom will be found elsewhere in this work.

Hiram A. Smith obtained his education in the public schools of Toledo, his parents removing to this city when he was about six years old, and in the Culver Military Academy at Lake Maxinkuckee, Indiana. There he was graduated with

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the class of 1906 and following his return home he became associated with his father in the candy manufacturing enterprise, with which he has since been identified. Since his father's death, which occurred in August, 1919, he has filled the dual position of vice president and secretary of the Smith-Kirk Candy Company and has been most active in the direction and development of the business. He is an excellent executive, thorough, and alert, and enterprising, and his salient business qualities have been contributing factors to the success of the undertaking. He is also connected with the Jerome H. Smith Realty Company and is regarded as one of the rising young business men of the city.

On the 6th of July, 1910, occurred the marriage of Hiram A. Smith and Miss Margaret Huker of Toledo, and they have become parents of six children: Barbara, Helen, Russell, Eleanor, Ridlon and Carolin. The family is well known in this city, their social position rivaling that of Mr. Smith's position in business circles. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons, being a loyal follower of the teachings of the craft. He belongs to the Kiwanis Club and along more strictly social lines his membership is with the Toledo and Inverness clubs. He is fond of a game of golf, spending much of his leisure time on the links, and at all times he is an agreeable and companionable gentleman whose friends are legion.

EARL H. RUDE

Earl H. Rude, a native son of Toledo, is well known in business circles of the city as manager of the Chesbrough Dwellings, and although but twenty-four years of age, he has already demonstrated his ability successfully to control important interests. He was born November 29, 1898, of the marriage of Gustavus and Emma (Muswick) Rude, also natives of the Buckeye state and residents of this city. The father is an expert mechanic and is employed by the Toledo Machine & Tool Company. Mr. and Mrs. Rude have become the parents of two children: Earl H. and Erna, both of Toledo.

Earl H. Rude acquired his education in parochial and public schools of this city and later became a student at the Metropolitan Business College, from which he was graduated in 1915. He then secured a position with the Toledo Builders Supply Company, working at first in a clerical capacity and afterward winning promotion to the office of branch manager. He remained with that firm for four years and then resigned to become manager of the Chesbrough Dwellings, one of the finest apartment hotels in the city. He is putting forth earnest and effective efforts to promote the success of the undertaking and displays mature judgment, keen sagacity and executive ability in directing the interests under his charge, proving faithful to the trust reposed in him.

In Detroit, on the 10th of June, 1919, Mr. Rude was married to Miss Martha M. Kowalka, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kowalka, prominent residents of Toledo. In politics Mr. Rude maintains an independent attitude, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations, and his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Lutheran Trinity church of this city. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to the lodge, chapter and council. He possesses keen perception and unusual business sagacity and has ever endeavored to perform his duty according to the best of his ability. He is a young man who has not yet reached the zenith of his powers, but in the development of

his talents he has already established himself in an enviable position in business circles of Toledo, and his genuine personal worth has won for him the unqualified respect and esteem of an extensive circle of friends.

ALEXANDER E. FORSTER

Alexander E. Forster, whose forcefulness and resourcefulness in business, combined with substantial qualities of integrity and reliability, have made him most popular and highly esteemed in commercial circles, is now engaged in the wholesaling and retailing of coal, coke and fuel and also conducts a real estate business. Diligence and determination have enabled him to overcome all obstacles and difficulties in his path and he never stops short of the attainment of his objective in any commercial way. A native of England, he was born in Norfolk, October 24, 1856, and is a son of Thomas William and Pleasance Earl (Duffield) Forster, who were also natives of the "Merrie Isle," where they were reared, educated and married. The father was a seafaring man who became master of several ocean-going vessels, following the sea throughout his life. He and his wife have passed away. Their family numbered five children, four of whom are living: Thomas William of Toledo; Walter C., residing in Buffalo, New York; Ellen Duffield, now in England; and Alexander E.

In his boyhood Alexander E. Forster attended the public schools of England and after coming to this country continued his education in the Franklin school at Toledo. He crossed the Atlantic at an early age and when a youth of thirteen had begun learning the blacksmith's trade in his native country, so that after a brief residence in the United States he started out to provide for his own support, as he had already become acquainted with the value of industry and perseverance as factors in the workaday world. For a time he occupied positions at the Toledo and at the Detroit stockyards, working in that way until 1890. It was his desire, however, to establish business on his own account and he believed that he would find a congenial and a profitable field in connection with the coal trade. Accordingly he started out in that way with limited capital and small resources, but as the years have passed he has developed his interests to extensive proportions, being today a large wholesale and retail dealer in coal, coke and fuel, while the real estate department of his business is also of considerable proportions. His office is located on the east side and he is one of the pioneer merchants of that section of the city and one who has been most earnest in his advocacy of its development and improvement. He is sole proprietor of the fuel business and he is a director and the president of the Yondota Masonic Building Company and a director of the Peoples State Savings Bank. He is likewise a director of the Maul Stone Company of Toledo, and thus his business interests and activities have covered a broad scope, while his cooperation with these different concerns is regarded as a most valuable asset in their development.

In September, 1878, Mr. Forster was married to Miss Laura A. Brown of Toledo, daughter of Captain and Mrs. Sylvester Brown, well known residents of this city. Mrs. Forster passed away in 1883, leaving three children: Alexander S., who was born in Toledo in 1879, was educated in the public and high schools and is now connected with the De Vore Engineering Company, industrial engineers of this city. He married Miss Ruth Jean Campbell of Forest, Ohio, and they have two children: John Alexander, who was born in Toledo and is now in his third year in

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Scott high school, where he has won two gold medals for efficiency in his studies; and Laura Jean, who is attending high school. Frank H. Forster, the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander E. Forster, was born in Toledo in 1881, completed a high school course here and is now associated with his father's wholesale coal business. He wedded Miss Addie E. Gascoigne of Toledo, and they have one child, Frank Herbert. Erle Hamilton, the third in the family of the subject of this review, was born here in 1883 and married Miss Ruth Myers, by whom he has two sons, Howard and George. During the World war he enlisted and served in five different departments of the government service, winning a commission as major of artillery. He is now with the Home Savings and Building Company of Toledo. For his second wife Mr. Alexander E. Forster chose Eva A. Caldwell, a teacher in Toledo public schools, daughter of James O. Caldwell. They were married on the 29th of September, 1887. There is one child of this marriage, Eva Fern, who is now the wife of M. M. Planck, employment manager of the Toledo Auto-Lite Corporation. They have two children, Virginia Fern and Robert M., both born in Toledo.

Mr. Forster has always manifested a helpful interest in public affairs and from 1890 until 1892 he was a member of the equalization board of this city. Mr. Forster is a very prominent Mason, holding membership in Yondota Lodge, No. 572, F. & A. M.; Port Lawrence Chapter, No. 176, R. A. M.; Vistula Council, No. 108, R. & S. M.; Eu-Tah Commandery, No. 66, Knights Templar (being a charter member and past presiding officer in all of these bodies); and in the Scottish Rite has received the honorary thirty-third degree. He is also a Noble of Zenobia Temple, Mystic Shrine. He is perhaps as well known as any other representative of the fraternity in this section of the state, by reason of his intense activity in support of the order and his close conformity to its high principles. He is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the East Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the well organized efforts that are put forth by these two bodies receive his hearty endorsement and cooperation. He also belongs to the Toledo Automobile Club and to the East Toledo Young Men's Christian Association, while his religious faith is evidenced in his membership in the Methodist Episcopal church. Ennobling principles have characterized his entire career and his high purposes have been manifest in every relation of life. A careful analysis of his character shows how closely he has conformed his course to the advanced teachings of Masonry and of the church and throughout his career he has ever stood ready to extend a helping hand to those who are seeking to advance along the lines of character building.

HARVEY FORESTER ROBISON

Harvey Forester Robison, president of The Guaranty Bond & Mortgage Company, has been identified with Toledo's business interest for nearly twenty years and is numbered among the city's progressive citizens whose activities have contributed to the material upbuilding of the city. He was born in Dubuque, Iowa, September 19, 1882, and is a son of Charles S. and Anna (Forester) Robison, the former a native of Ohio and the latter of the state of New York. About 1854 they removed to Iowa, settling at Dubuque, where the father engaged in the manufacture of clothing, and he is still a resident of that city.

Harvey F. Robison, an only child, attended the public schools and later entered Exeter Academy of New Hampshire, from which he was graduated in 1902. For

two years thereafter he was variously employed and in 1904 came to Toledo, becoming connected with the Pope Automobile Company, with which he remained for three years, serving in several capacities. In 1907 he entered the real estate field and for over fifteen years was prominently connected with that line of business, becoming one of the leading individuals in the handling of downtown realty. In 1922 he organized the Guaranty Bond & Mortgage Company, which has already become an important factor in Toledo investment circles. This company offers the investor bonds that are secured by real estate, providing a security and yield that are most attractive.

On the 8th of October, 1908, Mr. Robison married Miss Helen Douglass Van Pelt, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Van Pelt, well known and highly respected residents of Toledo. To this union has been born a daughter, Helen Forester. Mr. and Mrs. Robison are members of the Episcopal church. He is identified with the Real Estate Exchange and the Chamber of Commerce, while his social nature finds expression in his membership with the Toledo Club and the Toledo Country Club. Mr. Robison has worked persistently and energetically in his field of activity and his straightforward business methods have won for him a high position among Toledo's business men and citizens. Mr. Robison resides at The Harold Arms.

AARON LUFKIN KELSEY

Aaron Lufkin Kelsey, vice president of The Kelsey & Freeman Lumber Company, is of the third generation of the name to be connected with the business established by his grandfather sixty-six years ago. Mr. Kelsey was born in Toledo on June 14th, 1886, only son of Hiram Reeve and Alice Gladstone (Young) Kelsey and grandson of Aaron Lufkin Kelsey, a pioneer business man of Toledo. Mr. Kelsey became an official of the corporation in 1918 upon its reorganization following the death of his father the year previous. Of the present corporation and its predecessors it is said that there is scarcely a block in Toledo today that does not contain building materials that were furnished by this firm. Business houses, industrial plants., mansions and homes in every section of the city owe much of their beauty and permanence to the quality of lumber provided by this organization. The success of the enterprise is due not alone to the progressive commercial methods followed but also to the unassailable reputation which the house has always enjoyed for integrity and fair dealing. This corporation conducts two yards, carrying an extensive stock of lumber and building materials, and while the lumber is no longer secured from the neighboring state of Michigan, where the supply has been practically exhausted, it is shipped in from all sections of the United States and Canada. An advisory and plan department is maintained at the Indiana Street yard to aid the homebuilders in selecting appropriate plans and grades and sizes of materials best adapted to economical and satisfactory construction. This branch of the business is maintained without added cost to the patrons and is of great value to them. The Summit Street yard at Summit street and New York avenue contains the only stock of large white pine lumber and large timbers in northwestern Ohio and a wholesale as well as retail business is there conducted, the plant supplying many eastern firms. The combined interests of these two yards constitute one of the largest retail lumber companies of Ohio. With the growth of the city the business has kept pace through all the intervening years since its establishment two-thirds of a

century ago. Today electric milling equipment is replacing the original rude sawmill machinery and motor trucks are used in delivery, while every facility of modern business methods is employed to take care of the trade and increase the output. Thus in the third generation of the family the business is carried on with results commensurate to Toledo's greatness and the Aaron Lufkin Kelsey of the present day is bearing well his part amid modern conditions and opportunities, just as did the Aaron Lufkin Kelsey (I), his grandfather, who was the founder and original promoter of the undertaking.

LOUIS H. PAINE

Louis H. Paine, manager for northwestern Ohio of the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, maintains his headquarters in Toledo, his offices being located in the Second National Bank building, and since 1918 he has successfully discharged the duties of that position. He is a prominent figure in insurance circles of the state and has other business interests of importance, while he has also taken an active part in public affairs, doing effective service for the public good. He was born in Limaville, Ohio, October 1, 1875, and his parents were Rev. Louis and Mary (Lind) Paine, the former a native of Massachusetts and the latter of Ohio. As a young man the father entered the Methodist ministry and in early life he came to the Buckeye state, filling pastorates at Cleveland, Warren, Steubenville, Canton and other cities in the northeastern part of Ohio. By example as well as precept he pointed out to others the true meaning of Christianity and his labors were resultant forces for good in the communities to which he was called. He passed away in Toledo in 1900, while the mother's demise occurred at Limaville in 1917. Of their children four survive: Bertram, whose home is in Limaville; Mrs. Nye W. Goodman of Los Angeles, California; Myrtle M., also a resident of Limaville; and Louis H.

In the acquirement of an education Louis H. Paine attended the grammar schools in the various cities to which his father's ministerial labors took him and following his graduation from the high school at Warren he spent one year as a student at Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio, also completing a two years' course at Albion College, Michigan. He then entered Boston University of Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1898, winning the A. B. and LL. B. degrees, and successfully engaged in the general practice of law for a period of twenty years, or until 1918. In that year he became manager for the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company in the district comprising northwestern Ohio, and has since successfully represented that corporation. His knowledge of the law is of great assistance to him in his work. He also has extended his efforts into other fields, being vice president of the Peoples Savings Association and a director of the Fifty Associates Company, and is likewise a director of the Toledo Factories Company.

At Lansing, Michigan, on the 5th of April, 1899, Mr. Paine was married to Miss Helen A. Davis, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Davis, prominent residents of that city, and they are the parents of three children: Louis Davis, the eldest in the family, was born in Toledo, February 18, 1900, and is a graduate of the Scott high school of this city. He attended Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, completing his course at the University of Michigan in the class of 1922. During the World war he was active in the Students Training Corps; Janet Elizabeth, who was

born in July, 1901, is a graduate of the Scott high school of this city and the Harcum School at Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania. She married Robert H. Winters, Jr., and they reside in Toledo; Mary Margaret, who was born January 10, 1907, is now a student in a private school at Los Angeles, California.

While conducting his law business Mr. Paine was called to public office and served for two terms in the state legislature as a member of the seventy-sixth and seventy-seventh assemblies, during which period he was instrumental in securing the passage of much beneficial legislation. He was a member of the Toledo board of education for six years and it was partly through his efforts that the beautiful Toledo high schools were secured for the city. He is also identified with the Toledo Bar Association and is likewise connected with the Commerce Club, the Toledo Tennis Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Automobile Club, being also a member of the Masonic order. The thoroughness of his knowledge upon any subject in which he takes an interest is one of his outstanding characteristics. His activities have touched the various phases of life which are factors in public progress and improvement and he stands for all that is truly American in citizenship, his influence being at all times on the side of reform and advancement. Mr. Paine's residence is at No. 112 Orchard road, Ottawa Hills.

HARRY STEWART STAUTZENBACH

Harry Stewart Stautzenbach, who since 1913 has been at the head of the commission house of Stautzenbach, Bowers & Taylor, was born in Toledo, August 23, 1886. His father, Henry Stautzenbach, is a well known business man here, conducting a real estate and commercial agency which he has developed to substantial proportions. He married Cora E. Spayd and further mention of the parents is made on another page of this work.

The son, Harry Stewart Stautzenbach, entered the public schools at the usual age and passed through consecutive grades, while eventually he pursued a course in a business college and thus qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. He then obtained a position as bookkeeper with the Western Box Company, remaining with that concern for three years, while later he occupied a similar position in a packing house, where he also continued for three years. He was then with a wholesale commission house for a similar period and in these different connections gained comprehensive and valuable knowledge of business methods and conditions, so that experience well qualified him for the work which he undertook when in September, 1913, he became one of the organizers of the commission house of Stautzenbach, Bowers & Taylor, wholesale dealers in meats, poultry, butter and eggs. Through the ten years of its existence this house has enjoyed a steady growth in trade and is a foremost factor in wholesale circles along this line. The business is now one of very gratifying proportions and the enterprise and unabating energy of Mr. Stautzenbach have constituted a substantial force in the attainment of the present-day success.

On the 1st of July, 1914, Mr. Stautzenbach was married to Miss Elsa Leu of Toledo. He is a consistent follower of Masonry, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and become a member of the Mystic Shrine. He is also identified with the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of which he was formerly secretary, with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with the Woodmen of the World.

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He is well known to his brethren in these fraternities and he has made a substantial and creditable record in business circles, having already reached a position which many an older man might well envy. His residence is at No. 248 Marion street.

WILLIAM E. CORDILL

In the death of William E. Cordill, Toledo experienced the loss of a valued and valuable citizen. A lawyer by profession, he was held high in the esteem of his associates at the bar, while his activities in the political field and his energetic enthusiasm in forwarding any movement for the betterment of the city caused him to be looked upon as one of Toledo's foremost residents.

A native of Indiana, he was born on a farm at South Whitley, August 15, 1869, his parents being William and Martha (Norris) Cordill. He attended the public schools of South Whitley and of North Manchester and when he had completed his high school course by graduation he matriculated in Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana, where he entered upon a commercial course but as his work developed he found his greatest pleasure in subjects pertaining to the law and changed his line of study, being graduated ultimately with the degree of LL. B., in 1894. He was soon afterward admitted to practice at the bars of both Indiana and Ohio. In the same year he came to Toledo with one of his former classmates, Edward H. Ray, and together they opened offices, forming a partnership under the style of Ray & Cordill. Their first location was in the Alma block, where they remained for two years and then removed to the National Union building, where they continued their offices for twenty years, or until the structure was torn down to make way for the present Lasalle and Koch store building. Later the firm had offices on the fourth floor of the Ohio building and were there located when Mr. Cordill so suddenly passed away, January 31, 1917, his death being occasioned by a form of bronchial trouble.

Mr. Cordill was ever interested in political matters and became a factor in local affairs. On the 1st of January, 1914, he was appointed by former Mayor Carl H. Keller a member of the civil service commission, of which he became president. In 1913 he was defeated in the race for congress by General Isaac R. Sherwood. Mr. Cordill was campaign manager at the time of the election of Carl H. Keller as Toledo's mayor in 1914. During the next mayoralty campaign, in 1915, he gave his support to former Police Chief Murphy, who was defeated by Charles M. Milroy. Mr. Cordill served as a member of the state central committee and was enthusiastic in the affairs of the republican party, doing everything in his power to promote its growth and secure the adoption of its principles.

On the 27th of November, 1895, Mr. Cordill was married to Miss Emily Catharine Ward, a daughter of the Rev. Philip J. and Emily (Boot) Ward. She was born in England and when a year old was brought by her parents to America. Her father filled several successful pastorates in Ohio and Indiana, becoming pastor of the First Baptist church in Toledo in 1893, where he continued his labors for several years. Philip J. Ward was a strong preacher and a sturdy defender of his faith. Few opponents could stand before him in an argument upon any religious question. He was universally respected and deeply loved and even revered by those who knew him well. He went from Toledo to Los Angeles,

California, where he became pastor of one of the Baptist churches of that city and there died in 1904.

Mrs. Cordill acquired her education in the public schools of Columbus and of Cincinnati, Ohio. By her marriage she has become the mother of four children: Emily R., living at home, is a graduate nurse of the Robinwood Hospital and at present is a public health nurse; Annie Norris, who was a graduate of Dr. Law's Kindergarten Training School of Toledo, is now the wife of John Van Cleve Gardner of this city, and they have one son, Robert George; Ward E. is connected with Hull Brothers Umbrella Company; and Rachel E. completes the family. Mrs. Cordill is prominent in the work of the church, is president of the Woman's Society and president of the Riverside Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She is also interested in politics and served as one of the election judges for two years.

Mr. Cordill was a consistent member of the Riverside Baptist church, in which he served as deacon, while for fifteen years prior to his death he occupied the position of Sunday school superintendent. He was also a stanch temperance worker and this may have occasioned his defeat for congress, winning him the opposition of the anti-temperance element. He always stood loyally for his honest convictions, however, no matter at what personal sacrifice. He was president of the Toledo Baptist Union and no good work done in the name of charity or religion sought his aid in vain. He belonged to Barton Smith Lodge, No. 613, F. & A. M., to Concord Lodge of the Knights of Pythias and to Wapakonica Lodge, No. 38, I. O. O. F. Mr. Cordill was always a great reader, an earnest student and a deep thinker and his opinions on many subjects were sought by his fellow townsmen, who considered his position to be at all times tenable. He was a gifted public speaker, tactful, witty, entertaining and instructive and on many occasions was called upon to address the public. He was also an enthusiastic golf player, a member of the Toledo Golf Club, a member of the Inverness Club and the Lincoln Republican Club. In every relation of life he enjoyed the goodwill and confidence of those with whom he came into contact and as his aid and influence were ever given on the side of progress and improvement his worth as a man and citizen was widely acknowledged.

CHARLES FREDERICK MEILINK

Charles Frederick Meilink, president and general manager of the Meilink Steel Safe Company, was born in Toledo, October 25, 1867, a son of Bernard and Mary Anna (Essing) Meilink, both of pioneer families of Toledo, the father having been one of the early merchants and manufacturers of this city. Charles F. Meilink was educated in the parochial schools and the Jesuit College and became interested in mechanics in early childhood. As a boy he worked in machine shops during vacation periods and later followed that line of work for several years. For a number of years he was identified with the bicycle manufacturing industry in Toledo. In August, 1897, Mr. Meilink organized a small concern under the name of the Meilink Manufacturing Company for the purpose of manufacturing specialties, employing at the outset ten men, and four years later, in 1901, it was incorporated under the same name and began the manufacture of safes. In 1920 the named was changed to the present Meilink Steel Safe Com-

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pany. Something of the steady growth of the business is indicated in the fact that he now employs one hundred and fifty people and his plant is the largest steel fireproof safe manufacturing concern in the world. All of the output has been developed and perfected by him. The business is indeed one of extensive proportions and the output is sent to all sections of the globe.

Mr. Meilink is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and is in hearty sympathy with the purposes of that organization for the upbuilding of the city, the extension of its business relations and the maintenance of high civic standards. He is likewise a member of the Toledo Club. He has wide acquaintance in this city, in which practically his entire life has been passed, and he has made valuable contribution to its industrial progress and consequent prosperity.

WILLIAM A. ZOLG

William A. Zolg, treasurer of the Toledo Scale Company and one of the representatives of business interests in this city, is a self-made man who has won his present position through the force of his personality and the strength of his mental endowments. He was born at Dayton, Ohio, September 2, 1876, and his parents were Adolph and Henrietta (Miller) Zolg, the former of Baden, Germany, and the latter a native of Ohio. When eighteen years of age the father emigrated to the United States and for many years he engaged in business in New York city as a merchant tailor. Subsequently he removed to Ohio, locating at Dayton, where he opened a high class tailoring establishment, numbering among his patrons the leading business and professional men of the city. He continued at the head of that business until his death, which occurred in October, 1920. The mother passed away soon after the birth of her son.

William A. Zolg, their only child, attended the public schools of his native city and St. Mary's Institute of that place, devoting his leisure moments to the study of accounting. His first business experience was gained as an accountant with the National Cash Register Company of Dayton, one of the largest industries in the United States, and for ten years he remained in their service, acting as assistant to the general auditor of the European National Cash Register Company at Berlin, Germany, during two years of that period. On his return to this country he was offered a position as accountant with the Toledo Scale Company and entered their employ in June, 1909. His worth and ability were soon recognized and he was advanced through the various departments, at length becoming treasurer, which office he is now filling. He possesses broad vision and marked executive force and has materially contributed to the success of the company, which occupies a position of leadership in this field throughout the country.

At Dayton, Ohio, on the 9th of June, 1901, Mr. Zolg was married to Miss Katherine Puthoff, a daughter of Frank and Elizabeth Puthoff of St. Henry, Ohio, and they have become the parents of three sons: William A. Zolg, Jr., who was born at Dayton in 1902, is a graduate of St. John's University and is attending the University of Dayton, being a member of the class of 1925; Walter W. Zolg, who was born at Dayton in 1906, and is now a student at St. John's University; and Eugene F. Zolg, who was born in Toledo in 1910 and is a public school student.

The family are communicants of the Roman Catholic church. Mr. Zolg gives his political support to the men and measures of the republican party, and he is a

member of the Toledo Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club and the Commerce Club. Well defined plans and purposes have carried him steadily forward, enabling him to become a power in his chosen line of activity, and he has never lost sight of the high principles which should govern man in his varied relations of life. His residence is at No. 2114 Carrollton avenue.

PETER FRANCIS WHALEN

Peter Francis Whalen, who lived and labored to worthy ends, recognizing his duties and obligations to his fellowmen, as well as his opportunities for the attainment of success and the advancement of his individual fortunes, had reached the age of sixty-six years when he passed away in his Toledo home, on the 16th of May, 1920. He was born in Grey county, Upper Canada, May 17, 1854, being the eldest son in a family of four children whose parents were Peter and Mary (Doran) Whalen, both of whom have passed away, the death of the father occurring when his son, Peter, was but two years of age. When he was a lad of twelve he accompanied his mother and her family to Detroit, Michigan, and there he attended the public schools for a limited period, but the straitened financial circumstances of the family made it imperative that he put aside his textbooks and seek employment that he might assist his mother in support of the household. He early took up the molder's trade, which he followed for a number of years and as opportunity offered availed himself of the chance to attend business college, recognizing how essential is educational training in connection with the attainment of business success.

When Mr. Whalen removed from Detroit to Toledo he became associated in the varnish business with his brother-in-law, Alfred Collins, the enterprise being established under the firm style of Collins & Whalen. Success attended their efforts from the beginning and after carrying on a profitable business until 1882 they consolidated their interests with the Buckeye Paint Company. In the fall of 1887 the new organization was incorporated under the name of the Buckeye Paint & Varnish Company, of which Mr. Whalen was elected president and general manager, continuing at the head of the company to the time of his demise. His initiative, his broad vision, his sound judgment and his keen discrimination were vital forces in the attainment of success and in the course of years the business was developed into one of the largest establishments of its kind in northern Ohio, its ramifying trade connections covering a broad territory that included not only the Buckeye state but also Pennsylvania, Michigan, Illinois and Indiana, its sales amounting to several hundred thousand dollars annually. Mr. Whalen was a man of resolute purpose, who carefully thought out his plans and carried them forward to successful completion. He never allowed any obstacle or difficulty in his path utterly to discourage him, ever recognizing the fact that persistent effort, intelligently directed, could find a way at all times to achieve an honorable purpose. In the course of years he, therefore, won a measure of success, which placed him with the men of affluence in Toledo. A contemporary biographer said of him: "His success in no way warped his kindly nature, for he ever retained his interest in the welfare of those less fortunate than he, helping by his wise counsel, and often in a more substantial way, those with whom he came into contact."

In Toledo, on the 15th of June, 1880, Mr. Whalen was married to Miss Mary F. Riely, a daughter of John and Margaret (Kerins) Riely. They became par-

ents of the following named: Peter F., Jr., who is the vice president of the Buckeye Paint & Varnish Company; Milton E.; John J.; Florence, who is now Mrs. Ray Owens; Helen Marie; and Mary L., Margaret and Leonard, all three of whom are deceased. Mr. Whalen found his greatest happiness in promoting the welfare and comfort of his wife and children and his best traits of character were reserved for his own fireside, although all men knew him as a faithful friend, a just and kindly employer, a loyal citizen and in every relation of life a progressive man. He supported all measures which he deemed of value to the community and gave his aid to every cause he believed would promote civic progress or uphold the legal or moral status of the community in which he lived. He always voted with the democratic party, taking an active interest in political affairs and for several terms he served as alderman from his ward, notwithstanding that it was regarded as one of the republican strongholds of the city, while he was ever an earnest advocate of democratic principles. He belonged to the Roman Catholic church, to which he contributed generously and for thirty-five years was councilman of St. Patrick's church, while at the time of his demise he was a member of the Cathedral Chapel church. He belonged to the National Union, the Foresters of America, the Catholic Mutual Benevolent Association, the Catholic Knights of America, the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Knights of Ohio and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He likewise had membership in the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, in the Kiwanis Club, the Builders Exchange and the Toledo Oil and Varnish Club. It was his expressed wish that he might never live to an age of helplessness and to the last he continued a most active factor in the world's work. He had attended the semi-annual dinner given by his company to his employes at the Hotel Secor and had spoken at the banquet in a most happy vein, expressing the wish that he might be present at many more such affairs. But soon after his return home, he became suddenly ill, and passed away. Outside of his immediate household his death was nowhere more keenly felt than among his employes, for whom he had manifested the most kindly interest and ofttimes the warmest friendship. He was very fond of athletic sports and encouraged the formation of baseball, basket-ball and bowling teams among his employes and it was very gratifying to him that they took high rank in the various local leagues to which they belonged. The career of Peter Francis Whalen was one of usefulness and worth to his fellowmen, through the employment which he gave to many and through the influence which he had upon the lives of those with whom he was associated. As the architect of his own fortunes he builded wisely and well and his success was the fitting crown and reward of his labors.

GEORGE N. FELL

George N. Fell, a member of the firm of Fell & Schaal, leading attorneys of Toledo, with offices in the Nicholas building, has engaged in the practice of law for the past twenty-four years and is recognized as a man of high professional attainments. He is one of Toledo's native sons, his birth having occurred July 15, 1871, and his parents were Nicholas and Anna (Setz) Fell, both natives of Germany, the former born in the duchy of Luxemburg and the latter in the province of Bavaria. His parents came to the United States in 1860, settling in Toledo, where the father engaged in railroad work. He is still living, at the age of eighty-six. The

mother passed away in 1920. In their family were six children, of whom three survive: Katherine M., Anna F. and George N. May R. died in August, 1922.

In the acquirement of an education George N. Fell attended the parochial schools and St. Mary's Academy, afterward entering the law department of the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1898, with the LL. B. degree. He began practice in the office of Hurd, Brumbach & Thatcher, with whom he was associated for a year, and then joined A. F. Connolly, their interests being conducted under the style of Fell & Connolly. In 1906 he formed a law partnership with Frederick C. Schaal; a partnership that has been continued. They have been entrusted with important litigated interests and their clientele is a large and representative one. Mr. Fell is a man of well balanced intellect, thoroughly familiar with the principles of jurisprudence, and for a number of years has been instructor in law at St. John's College of Toledo. He has been called to public office and in 1905 was appointed assistant city solicitor, serving in that capacity for four years.

Mr. Fell was married June 26, 1907, to Miss Anna V. McDonald of Chicago, Illinois, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McDonald. Mr. McDonald was a leading contractor of that city. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Fell: George Henry, whose birth occurred in Toledo September 28, 1909, and who is attending St. John's University; and Charles Francis, who was born in Toledo September 17, 1912, and is now a student at St. Mary's school.

The family are communicants of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church and Mr. Fell is also connected with the Knights of Columbus, of which he is a charter member, and he has taken the fourth degree in that order. He is a democrat in his political views and his professional connections are with the Toledo Bar Association, the Lucas County Bar Association, of which he has been treasurer since 1900, and the Ohio State Bar Association. Thoroughness is one of his marked characteristics and he is recognized as a man of sound judgment who never looks at a question in a superficial way but delves to the root of the matter, and has the faculty of separating and eliminating the non-essential from the important elements of a case. He has demonstrated that he possesses superior qualifications as a lawyer and has won distinction in his chosen calling.

JOHN WILLIAM KOEHRMAN

Many who study into the history and records of mankind recognize the fact that in every office boy there is a potential president of a business, yet comparatively few who start out in this humble way arrive at a point of leadership. This is due at different times to various causes but prominent among the reasons are lack of initiative, lack of industry and absence of ambition and the quality of becoming easily discouraged. The marked characteristics in the life of John William Koehrman were contrary to all these. Diligence, determination, close application, willingness to work and a desire to succeed have actuated him at every point in his career and step by step he has climbed to prominence and success until he is now the president of the Woolson Spice Company of Toledo. He has practically spent his life in this city, where his birth occurred October 16, 1875, his parents being Richard Henry and Katherine (Craft) Koehrman. The father came to America from Germany in the year 1851 and made his way across the country to this city, where he established his home, arriving in Toledo when

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it was a comparatively small town on the shore of the lake, where clustered its residences, its mercantile houses and its industries, bearing little resemblance to the beautiful metropolitan center of the present day. The father was for a long period a member of the city fire department, his association therewith covering thirty-five years.

John William Koehrman, spending his youthful days under the parental roof, mastered the branches of learning taught in the public schools until it seemed incumbent upon him to enter business circles and provide for his own support. He therefore sought employment along commercial lines and was fortunate in obtaining a position with the Woolson Spice Company as office boy. There was nothing that foreshadowed his future rise and no influence or outside aid was exerted to win him promotion. He worked diligently, performing the task assigned him day by day and by reason of his faithfulness, earnestness and industry he gained promotion at intervals, being advanced through all the intermediate positions until at the age of thirty-five years he was made general manager of the house. From one official position to another he also advanced until he was elected to the presidency and is now bending his efforts to administrative direction and executive control.

On the 27th of October, 1897, Mr. Koehrman was married to Miss Caroline A. Warner of Tiffin, Ohio. Mr. Koehrman is a Mason in his fraternal relations, loyal to the teachings and purposes of the craft. He also belongs to the Sylvania Golf Club, is a director of the Art Museum, a member of the Toledo Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Historical Society of Northwestern Ohio, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Toledo Traveling Men's Association. His interests, broad in scope, cover all those activities which have to do with the city's progress and improvement and with the benefit and uplift of the individual. His own struggle in boyhood to gain a foothold in the business world has made him sympathetic with others who are starting out empty-handed as he did and he is ever willing to speak an encouraging word or to extend material assistance when he believes that such a course will prove beneficial. His own record is a verification of the fact that it is under the pressure of necessity and the stimulus of opposition that the best and strongest in man is brought out and developed and his own career of success and progress should well serve to stimulate and encourage others.

JOHN GEORGE SWINDEMAN

John George Swindeman, president and general manager of the Union Supply Company of Toledo, is a native of Wood county, Ohio, his birth having occurred on the 15th of August, 1872. He is a son of George and Rose (Raab) Swindeman, who were farming people, the father devoting his life to agricultural pursuits in order to support his family.

In the public schools John G. Swindeman mastered the early branches of learning and afterward pursued a commercial course in the Steadman Business College, thus qualifying for the responsible duties of life. He started out to earn his living by securing a clerkship in the store of the Chapman Hardware Company, with which he remained four years. He then identified himself with the bicycle business, becoming one of the company and was engaged in the sale of bicycles in Toledo. He was afterward with the Bicycle Manufacturing Company as manager

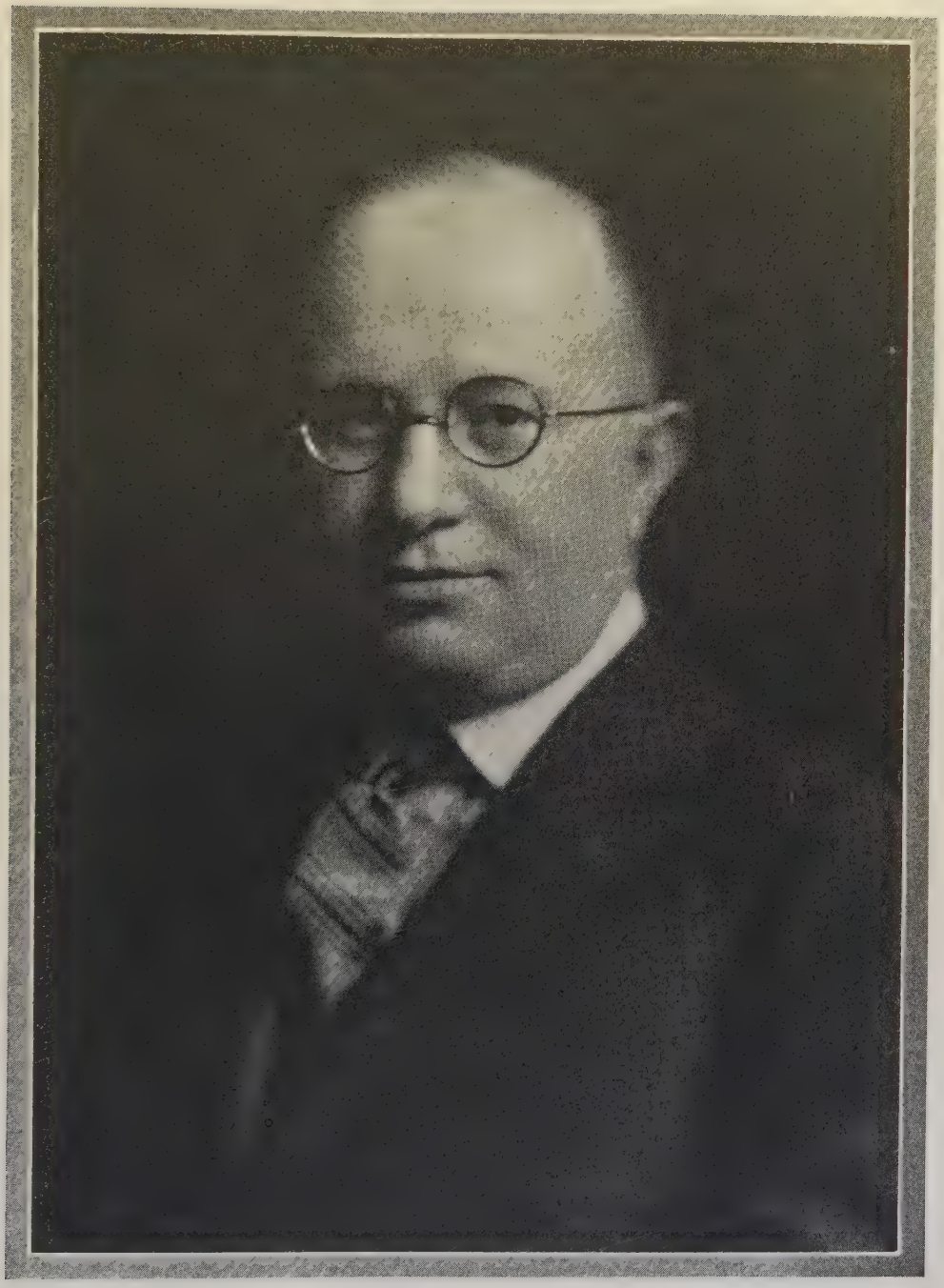
of the retail store for two years and was placed at the head of the store of the Cleveland Bicycle Company in this city, where he continued as manager until 1899, when the business was absorbed by the American Bicycle Company. Mr. Swindeman then purchased the branch house, which he carried on under the style of J. G. Swindeman & Company, and in 1900 incorporated the business under the style of the Union Supply Company, of which he has since been president and general manager. They are jobbers and factory distributers of mechanical rubber goods, automotive equipment, auto tires, bicycles and various supplies. The business has been developed to substantial proportions and the enterprise is proving a substantial success.

On the 31st of December, 1900, Mr. Swindeman was married to Miss Florence Moore of Chesterville, Ohio, and they have become parents of two children: Marjorie Louise, who was graduated from Sayward's School at Overbrook, Pennsylvania, in June, 1921; and John Moore, who was a student in the Scott high school for two years. Mr. Swindeman greatly enjoys fishing, hunting and outdoor sports and these furnish him needed recreation and rest from the arduous cares of business. Fraternally he belongs to the Masons and he is well known in club circles as a charter member of the Inverness Country Club. He also belongs to the Monroe Country Club and the Toledo Rotary Club. His career has been marked by that steady advancement which results from intelligently directed effort and well formulated plans and in the conduct of his business he never stops short of the attainment of his objective.

LOUIS H. GOULD

Louis H. Gould, a Toledo realtor who is now conducting business under the name of the Gould Realty Company and also through various other organized corporations, was born in Poland, July 7, 1887. He spent the first twelve years of his life in his native country and then, leaving Europe, crossed the Atlantic to the new world. He did not tarry on the Atlantic coast but made his way at once into the interior of the country and took up his abode in Toledo, where he continued his education in the parochial and high schools, while later he attended Toledo University and thus by liberal educational training was well fitted for life's practical and responsible duties. When his textbooks were put aside he became associated with the real estate business and in this field he has continued to labor. In 1918 he organized the Gould Realty Company, of which he has since been the president, and he is also associated with various other companies which have controlled important subdivisions and promoted many notable real estate transfers. The Gould Realty Company handles only downtown business property and specializes in ninety-nine year leases, being the pioneer real estate firm to specialize in this branch of the business. Mr. Gould is thoroughly acquainted with the realty market in Toledo and by his progressive and enterprising methods has won a large clientele that makes his business of most substantial and profitable character.

On the 25th of November, 1912, Mr. Gould was married to Miss Helen B. Murphy and they have become parents of three daughters: Jane Louise, Katherine Ann and Mary Elizabeth. The parents are members of the First Congregational church and are much interested in its work. Mr. Gould is a trustee of the Toledo Zoological Society and he gives considerable thought and attention to



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all those questions which bear upon the sociologic and economic conditions in the country today, ever seeking to extend a helping hand where he believes that his aid will be productive of beneficial results. To this end he is serving as a trustee of the Newsboys Association, of which he was not only one of the organizers but was its first vice president, and he is always ready to speak an encouraging word or to improve the environment and surroundings of the youth of the country with the ultimate hope of developing a strong and virile American manhood. Mr. Gould's residence is at No. 2357 Scottwood avenue.

LARRY BEVAN

Larry Bevan, a rising young attorney of Toledo, has been identified with the bar of this city since 1918 and he is also well known throughout the state as an athletic coach. He was born in Carlisle, Ohio, December 13, 1889, and his parents were Miles and Maria (Smith) Bevan, also natives of the state and members of prominent pioneer families of southwestern Ohio. They were married in the Buckeye state, in which they always resided, and the father devoted his life to the occupation of farming. He was a veteran of the Civil war, enlisting with an Ohio company when but eighteen years of age and serving throughout the conflict as a private in the Union army. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bevan passed away while residing in Caldwell.

After his graduation from high school Mr. Bevan completed a two years' course in a college at Marietta, Ohio, later attending the Kent Law School, and then entered Ohio Northern University, from which he won the LL. B. degree in 1917. In the following year he began practice at Toledo and has since concentrated his attention upon his profession. While advancement in law is proverbially slow, he has made substantial progress, readily mastering the principles of jurisprudence and preparing his cases with great thoroughness, precision and skill. Although one of the more recent additions to the Toledo bar, he has already firmly established himself in public regard as an able attorney and has been entrusted with important litigated interests, winning many verdicts favorable to the interests of his clients.

Mr. Bevan has always been keenly interested in athletic sports and when a young man he was captain of the college baseball team at Marietta, being at that time eighteen years of age and in his freshman year. He also played on the football and basketball teams and at the close of his college career he turned to baseball, being third baseman of the Evansville Club of the old Central League, while he was also in the Federal and Virginia leagues. His first coaching experience was gained with the Caldwell high school athletes and he later coached all varsity sports at Muskingum College and Ohio Northern University. He has been very successful in this work and has had a number of offers to coach college teams, but refuses to leave Toledo, which he regards as a most desirable place of residence.

Mr. Bevan has been called to public office, serving as assistant United States attorney in 1919. He is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, Delta Theta Phi, a college fraternity, the Lawyers Club and the Toledo City Club. Through his identification with the Toledo, Ohio State and American Bar associations he keeps abreast with the profession and his fraternal connections are with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Independent Order of

Odd Fellows. He has great respect for the dignity of his calling and adheres to the strictest ethics of the profession in his practice. With progress as his watchword he has steadily advanced and his colleagues unite in bearing testimony to his high character and superior mind.

MAURICE W. COLTER

Maurice W. Colter, well known in insurance and real estate circles of Toledo, is a member of The Breyman & Colter Company, and one of the younger representatives of business activity in this city. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, May 25, 1893, his parents being A. Wilber and Mary (Mounts) Colter, who established their home in Toledo when their son, Maurice W., was but three years old. The latter's youth passed uneventfully, his time being largely employed in the attainment of a public school education, which was continued until he had mastered the branches of learning taught in the high school. He started in the business world in connection with the handling of real estate and has since been active in this field. He is now one of the partners in The Breyman & Colter Company, conducting a real estate and insurance business. Throughout the intervening years Mr. Colter has closely studied the realty market and is well informed concerning values of that character, and the opportunity for purchase or sale. His judgment is sound on matters pertaining to his business, whether involving insurance or real estate, and his straightforward business methods have placed him among the reliable and dependable men in his line of activity.

On the 26th of April, 1916, Mr. Colter was married to Miss Elizabeth Roberts of Zanesville, Ohio, and they have many warm friends in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Colter are members of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church.

HENRY T. LEDBETTER

Henry T. Ledbetter has devoted the greater part of his life to work in connection with public utilities, and is now serving as secretary of the Toledo Edison Electric Company—a position of large responsibility—and he also figures conspicuously in transportation circles of the state. He was born in Kerens, Texas, September 18, 1884, and is a son of James Thomas and Araminta (Leggitt) Ledbetter, both natives of Illinois. In the early '80s they went to Texas, where the father engaged in farming. In 1889 they removed to Carthage, Missouri, where they resided for several years, and in 1914 they established their home in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where their daughter was at that time living. Not being content to lead a life of indolence, Mr. Ledbetter became associated with his son-in-law in the management of apartment hotels, at which they are very successful. Mr. and Mrs. Ledbetter have two children: Henry T.; and Rose, the wife of Thomas E. Hoofnagle, of Minneapolis.

In the public schools of Carthage, Missouri, Henry T. Ledbetter acquired his education and in 1905 he entered the employ of the Pacific Coast Borax Company as a traveling salesman. At the end of a year he severed his relations with that firm and became connected with the Webb City & Carterville Gas Company, a Missouri

corporation, which was absorbed by the Doherty interests in 1910. Mr. Ledbetter was next made chief clerk in the office of the Empire District Electric Company at Joplin, Missouri, later winning promotion to the position of auditor, and eventually became secretary, filling that office in Joplin until 1917. In that year he was transferred to Toledo as general auditor of what is now the Toledo Edison Company and on the 1st of November, 1918, was elected secretary of the corporation, still retaining his position as auditor. He combines a detailed knowledge of the business with administrative powers and ably discharges the responsibilities entrusted to him. Broadening the scope of his interests, Mr. Ledbetter has also become a strong factor in transportation activities and is now serving as secretary of the Toledo & Ottawa Beach & Northern Railway Company, the Toledo & Western Railway Company, the Toledo Beach Company, and the Adrian, Michigan, Street Railway Company.

At Carl Junction, Missouri, on the 13th of September, 1913, Mr. Ledbetter was united in marriage to Miss Ida Higginbotham, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Higginbotham, prominent residents of that place.

Mr. Ledbetter is a member of the National Electric Light Association, the American Electric Railway Association, the United Bookkeepers and Accountants Association and he is also connected with the Toledo Museum of Art. He is likewise a member of the Sylvania Golf Club, the Toledo Club, and the Elks Lodge, and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a man of large affairs whose constantly expanding powers have carried him into important relations and his efforts are resultant factors in whatever he undertakes.

WILLIAM COLLORD ACKLIN

William Collord Acklin, the secretary and treasurer of the Acklin Stamping Company, was born in Toledo, July 22, 1888, and is a son of Grafton Molen and Jessie (Ridnour) Acklin. The father was engaged in the wholesale grocery business and in manufacturing in this city but is now retired.

William C. Acklin was accorded liberal educational privileges, pursuing his studies in the public schools and afterward in Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, from which he was graduated with the class of 1910. With his return to Toledo he accepted a position in the Northern National Bank, with which he was connected for a short time and in 1911 he became one of the organizers of the Acklin Stamping Company, of which he has been secretary and treasurer from the beginning. The business of the company has steadily grown and developed under the capable management of its executive officers and is today one of the largest enterprises of the kind in Toledo.

Mr. Acklin, however, put aside all business and personal considerations after America entered the World war. He went to the First Officers' Training Camp in May, 1917, and was commissioned a lieutenant in August of that year. He was then sent overseas with the First Infantry and later was assigned to the First Division Ammunition Train as captain, while subsequently he was transferred to the Twenty-sixth Infantry. He participated in many major engagements, including the battles of Cantigny, Soissons, St. Mihiel and the Argonne. He was wounded on the 4th of October, 1918, during the battle in the Argonne forest, where the bravery and the fighting qualities of the American forces astounded the world, for it

was the generally accepted opinion in Europe that the volunteer army of America could not compete with the old seasoned soldiers of the old world; but from the time the khaki-clad troops from across the water were thrown into the breaks in the French lines at Chateau-Thierry the tide of war was turned and the Germans started upon a retreat that never ended until they had crossed the Rhine. Mr. Acklin is now a member of the Toledo American Legion Post. Fraternally he is a thirty-second degree Mason, loyally adhering to the teachings and high purposes of the craft. The nature of his interests is further indicated in the fact that he belongs to the Toledo and Country clubs and to the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Acklin was married on the 11th of August, 1920, to Miss Marjory Stewart of Muncie, Indiana.

HARRY HARKINS HEINER, JR.

Harry Harkins Heiner, Jr., has devoted his attention to the coal business since his initial step was made in the commercial world, and starting out as a mine clerk he has worked his way steadily upward through industry and ability until he has won a position of prominence in this field, being vice president of the Maynard Coal Company, one of the largest concerns of the kind in Toledo. He is a native of the south, his birth having occurred at Point Pleasant, West Virginia, on the 1st of March, 1892, and his parents, H. H. and Georgie A. (Tippett) Heiner, are residents of Columbus. His father is a native of Guernsey county, Ohio, and the mother was born in West Virginia. Mr. Heiner first established his home at Point Pleasant, West Virginia, later going to Charleston, that state, where he remained for four years, and he then came to Toledo. After spending five years in this city he made his way to St. Paul, Minnesota, where he resided for three years, and then returned to Ohio, locating at Columbus. He is now filling the office of president of the Maynard Coal Company and is numbered among the foremost business men of Columbus. He has extensive interests in the city, being a director in a number of business enterprises. Mr. and Mrs. Heiner have become the parents of three children: Marguerite, who is yet at home; Mrs. Dwight Felts of Kansas City, Missouri; and H. H. Heiner, Jr.

The last named was for four years a pupil in the Monroe Street school of Toledo and he completed the work of the grammar school at St. Paul, Minnesota. He was graduated from the high school at Columbus, Ohio, and afterward became a student at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, which he attended for a year. He then entered the coal business, which his father was at that time conducting, starting in the mines and gradually advancing through the various departments until he had acquired a thorough knowledge of every phase of the industry. As his experience and ability increased he was promoted to positions of greater importance and responsibility until he was at length made vice president of the Maynard Coal Company and is serving in that capacity, his energetic efforts and executive force being valuable assets in stimulating the development and expansion of the business. They cater to the wholesale trade, owning mines in Ohio and Kentucky, and are classed with the leading coal dealers of the city.

At Columbus, Ohio, on the 27th of April, 1914, Mr. Heiner was married to Miss Helen L. Spenny, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Spenny of that city, and they have two children: Helen Jane Heiner, who was born July 24,

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1915, and is now attending the Harvard Terrace school of this city; and H. H. Heiner (III), born March 7, 1919. Mr. and Mrs. Heiner are members of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church of Toledo and he is a republican in his political views. He is a Knights Templar Mason and has taken the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite Consistory, while he is also connected with the Transportation Club, the Toledo Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club, the Exchange Club, the Shriners Club and the Toledo Commerce Club. In matters of citizenship Mr. Heiner is patriotic, public-spirited and progressive and during the World war he acted as an instructor at Camp Perry, Ohio. He is an alert, enterprising young man who has ever recognized the fact that success in any line of activity is gained only at the cost of laborious effort and persistency of purpose and although but thirty years of age his rapidly expanding powers and the strength of his mental endowments have placed him with the leading business men of Toledo. Mr. Heiner resides at No. 176 Birch drive, Wildwood.

CLARENCE M. LAMB

No resident of Toledo is better known or more highly esteemed than Clarence M. Lamb, whose identification with the city covers a period of nearly six decades, and his labors have constituted a most important element in its development and upbuilding. A native of the state of New York, he was born in August, 1854, and prior to the outbreak of the Civil war he established his home in Toledo, becoming the pioneer bus driver of this section of the state. His route lay between Oak and Jackson streets and he afterward operated a ferry across the Maumee river, but abandoned that undertaking at the end of a year to enter mercantile circles of Toledo. For thirty-nine years he was numbered among the leading fish dealers of the city, building up a business of large proportions and conducting his interests for a time under the style of Thompson & Lamb. In 1919 the business was taken over by the subject of this review and is now being continued under the name of Goulden & Lamb. Clarence M. Lamb has since lived retired, having accumulated a substantial competence through industry, perseverance and capable management, and he has reached the age of sixty-eight years.

In 1879 Mr. Lamb was united in marriage to Miss Mary M. Gross and eight children were born to them: Chester D.; Mrs. William Wickenden of New York city; and Mrs. Frederick J. Metzger, Mrs. Ralph Tucker, Milo, Lynn, Leighton and Edward Lamb, all of whom are residents of Toledo.

The son, Chester D. Lamb, was born in this city on the 18th of January, 1881, and attended the grammar and high schools, later becoming a student at Wooster University of Ohio. After completing his education he entered his father's employ and bent every effort toward mastering the business. Following the retirement of Clarence M. Lamb, in 1919, his interest was purchased by Chester D. Lamb, who is now associated with George M. Goulden, under the firm style of Goulden & Lamb, wholesale dealers in fish. This is one of the oldest undertakings of the kind in the city, as well as one of the largest and has ever maintained a position of leadership in connection with the fish business. They operate their own fleet of gasoline boats, procuring all of the fish they handle themselves. The business is almost national in scope, its produce having a ready sale in the northeast, central and middle west and southwestern parts of the country. The spirit of the

father is exemplified in the son, who is ably carrying forward the business along modern, progressive lines, maintaining high standards in its conduct.

On the 11th of August, 1909, Mr. Lamb was married to Miss Nina M. Simpson, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jay B. Simpson of this city, and they have become the parents of one child, Alice, who was born in 1913 and is now attending the public schools. Mr. Lamb gives his political allegiance to the republican party, for he deems that its policy best conserves national progress and promotes public stability. He is a worthy representative of one of the honored pioneer families of Toledo and an enterprising business man whose record reflects credit upon the city in which his life has been passed.

PHILIP E. UHL

Philip E. Uhl, president of the Toledo Metal Furniture Company, one of the important manufacturing enterprises of the city, was born March 3, 1868, in Glandorf, Ohio, a son of Benedict and Elizabeth Uhl. He attended the Toledo high school, thereby completing his education, save for the broader knowledge that he has gained in the school of experience. He started out in the business world as clerk in a furniture store and later became bookkeeper in the employ of Thomas Doherty, dealer in builders' supplies. Ambitious to engage in business on his own account he and his brother, Clement R. Uhl, on the 1st of March, 1898, opened a small bicycle repair shop in a little frame building formerly the office of M. V. Barbour, coal dealer, at the corner of Monroe and Eleventh streets and styled their enterprise Uhl's Cycle Emporium. Their capital was eighty-five dollars. Business grew rapidly, so that thirty days later they built a brick addition and added some machinery, together with a brazing furnace and enameling oven. Two years later they incorporated the Uhl Brothers Company with a capital stock of fifteen thousand dollars and moved across the street to the one-story Chiesa building, adding to their equipment some more machines and a plating plant. As the bottom had dropped out of the bicycle business, they started in the manufacture of novelties, finally developing a steel chair and table, their first order being an equipment of the soda fountain parlors of Hoffman & Company on Summit street. They soon found their space too small for their growing business and removed to South Huron street, occupying a two-story brick building formerly used as a bottling works. In 1904 they changed the name of the company to the Toledo Metal Furniture Company and increased the capital to sixty thousand dollars. The business continued to grow until in 1910 they purchased their present plant on the Lake Shore Railroad near Dorr street, which was originally built for the Maumee Cycle Company and to which they have since built several additions. In May, 1920, the capital stock was increased to three hundred thousand dollars. The company manufactures a specialty line of steel chairs and tables for cafes and soda fountains, also a line of typewriter stands and cabinets, typewriter chairs, desks, stools, etc. A goodly portion of the company's business is also the construction of special stands such as are used by the Burroughs, Wales, Dalton and other adding machine companies, together with dictating machine pedestals, water cooler stands, etc., all of which are its own design and are covered by patents. The firm employs about one hundred and fifty men in the factories, besides ample office and sales force. The officers of the company are: Philip E.

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Uhl, president; Joseph F. L. Uhl, secretary and general manager; and Clement R. Uhl, vice president and superintendent. The increased capitalization is indicative of the steady growth of the business, which is today one of the important productive industries of the city.

In Toledo, on the 12th of October, 1898, Philip E. Uhl was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Kirschner, a daughter of Charles J. Kirschner. He has always been a lover of music and is one of a family of ten brothers, all musicians, who formerly conducted what was known as Uhl's Concert Band. In religious faith Mr. Uhl is a Roman Catholic, belonging to St. Mary's church, and he is also identified with the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Knights of America and the National Union. He is also a member of the Commerce Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Automobile Club but is most widely known because of the prominence to which he has attained in business circles, his notable industry, perseverance and ambition bringing him from an obscure position to one of gratifying leadership and success.

MINOT I. WILCOX

Minot I. Wilcox belongs to that class of business men in whose business career there are no spectacular phases, no plunges into wealth or success, no rapid mounting to the pinnacle of commercial or industrial fame. His course was like that of a river that steadily flows onward, gaining breadth and volume as it proceeds with the consequent power attendant thereon. He cast in his lot with the business men of Toledo in pioneer times and through the fifty-seven years of his residence here his activities touched many lives and constituted a stimulating force in the city's continued advancement.

Minot I. Wilcox came to Ohio from New York, his birth having occurred in Jefferson county, that state, on the 7th of April, 1829. He was the youngest in a family of nine children and his youthful days were spent on a farm, which his father had hewed out of the midst of the forest in northern New York, early in the nineteenth century. That district was then largely a frontier region with but limited opportunity along educational and other lines. His grandfather was a New Bedford (Mass.) whaler and it may have been an inherited taste for marine interests that led Minot I. Wilcox to devote nearly half a century to the cordage and ship chandlery business at Toledo, following his removal to the middle west in the early '40s. Here he established business in 1844 and for many years there was no name better known or which stimulated a higher degree of respect among shipping men around the entire circuit of the Great Lakes than did that of Minot I. Wilcox. In his youthful days he spent a year as an apprentice to the ship joining trade and afterward worked in various mills in the east and in Toledo subsequent to his removal from Point Peninsula, New York, to this city in 1841. He was ambitious to engage in business on his own account, however, and after three years spent in the employ of others in this city he and his brother-in-law formed a partnership for the conduct of a ship chandlery establishment under the style of Reed & Wilcox. The partnership was continued for six years and following its dissolution he and his brother Leonard organized the firm of Wilcox Brothers and carried on business at the corner of Madison and Water streets until 1868, when a removal was made to the location now occupied by M. I. Wilcox Company, No. 212 Water

street. In May, 1880, Leonard Wilcox passed away, after which his brother continued in the business alone until he incorporated his interests in 1887, under the style of the M. I. Wilcox Cordage & Supply Company, of which he became president. This is practically the only firm in Toledo doing a cordage business and at the head of the enterprise is Oren S. Wilcox, a second cousin of the founder. At the beginning the firm carried a small stock of ship supplies and also dealt in butter, eggs, meat, tallow and the many small necessities which were required by the boats that in the early history of the city tied up at the wharves for replenishment. The business grew steadily with the passing years and Mr. Wilcox came to be regarded as one of the prominent and representative merchants of the city. He did not confine his attention alone to the cordage business but for twelve years was senior partner in the firm of Wilcox, Stock & Company, manufacturers of steam dredges and shovels. He also became the chief executive officer of the Maumee River Steamboat Company, which owned the steamer Pastime and he was vice president of the Vulcan Iron Works Company and one of the directors of the Milburn Wagon Company. He also made investments in various other business interests of Toledo and upon the organization of the Merchants National Bank he became one of its directors. He was later elected vice president and in 1893 was chosen president of the bank, to which position he was reelected in 1898. His business interests and activities thus covered a wide scope and his constantly expanding powers enabled him to cope with each enterprise in a manner that furthered his own fortunes by advancing the success and growth of the business with which he became associated.

In 1855 Mr. Wilcox was united in marriage to Miss Emma Finney of La Fargeville, New York, a daughter of Henry Finney and a niece of the late President Finney of Oberlin College. In 1864, under the three months' call for troops, Mr. Wilcox joined the One Hundred and Thirtieth Ohio Regiment and was given a major's commission. He also served as a member of the board of fire commissioners of Toledo at an early day and at all times he stood as a champion of those projects and plans looking to the betterment and progress of the city. He and his wife lived to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary in 1905 and six weeks later Mrs. Wilcox was called to the home beyond. She had been very active in the charitable work of the city and many were the beneficiaries of her bounty. Her passing was undoubtedly one of the causes of the rapidly failing health of Mr. Wilcox, who died on the 19th of November of the same year. His remains were laid to rest by the side of his wife, the funeral services being conducted by the Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady of the Trinity Episcopal church. Mr. Wilcox never belonged to any secret societies except Toledo Lodge No. 402, I. O. O. F., and he was the last survivor among its charter members. In the later years of his life his reminiscences concerning Toledo and her early days were most interesting. He knew the city when it was a small town of comparatively little commercial and industrial importance and he lived to see its rapid growth and development until it ranks as the metropolis of northwestern Ohio and one of the chief ports along the Great Lakes. In the evening of his days he often exhibited with pride his certificate of membership in the volunteer fire department, which he joined in 1856. There was never a time when he did not respond fully and freely to a call of civic duty nor did he ever hesitate to extend a helping hand where aid was needed by an individual. He thus sought to alleviate the hardships of life for the unfortunate and he was at all times a stanch and faithful friend to those with whom he associated. There are many who yet cherish the memory of his companionship and honor him as a man of undaunted commercial integrity and as an upright patriotic citizen. He stamped

the impress of his individuality upon Toledo records through a period of fifty-seven years as a pioneer business man and banker, and his example is well worthy of emulation by those who desire to win success and an honored name simultaneously.

WILLIAM ALDREU CUFF

William Aldreu Cuff, appointed in 1920 to the office of assistant United States district attorney for the northern district of Ohio, with office in Toledo, was born in Napoleon, this state, on the 13th of June, 1888, and is a son of the late Judge John V. and Edna J. (Fraker) Cuff. His father was a recognized leader of public thought and action in the fifth congressional district of Ohio for many years and was a well known representative of the judiciary of the state.

In the pursuit of his education William Aldreu Cuff completed a high school course in Napoleon with the class of 1907 and then entered Kenyon College at Gambier, Ohio, where he was a student in 1906-7. He afterward attended the Western Reserve Law School, which conferred upon him the LL. B. degree at his graduation with the class of 1911. Later he was admitted to the bar and was also licensed to practice in the United States district court in 1920. He entered upon the active work of the profession in connection with his brother, F. V. Cuff, under the firm style of Cuff & Cuff at Napoleon, Ohio, and devoted his attention to general practice until he was appointed special agent of the United States department of justice of the bureau of investigation in April, 1918. He served in that connection until September, 1920, when he was appointed assistant United States district attorney for the northern district of Ohio with headquarters at Toledo. He made a most creditable and satisfactory record. He is now engaged in the general practice of law in the Nicholas building, Toledo, Ohio.

On the 26th of February, 1918, Mr. Cuff was united in marriage to Miss Carrie May Cothran. Fraternally Mr. Cuff is a Mason, having membership in the lodge, chapter, commandery and Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to the Psi Upsilon, the Phi Delta Phi and the Theta Nu Epsilon, three Greek letter fraternities. His official record has at all times been commendable and he did effective work as assistant United States attorney for the northern district of Ohio.

RALEIGH S. LEIST

The business career of Raleigh S. Leist has been marked by continuous progress, each advancement being won at the cost of earnest, persevering effort, and as secretary and manager of the Peoples Savings Association he now occupies a position of prominence in financial circles of Toledo. He was born in Henry county, Ohio, January 18, 1867, a son of Levy and Harriet (Moore) Leist, both of whom were natives of Fairfield county, this state. They afterward removed to Henry county, where the father engaged in agricultural pursuits until his demise, which occurred in 1893. The mother passed away in 1902. In their family were six children, four of whom survive: Isa, a resident of Lakewood, Ohio; Mrs. Cordelia Russell, whose home is at Ansley, Nebraska; David, of Liberty Center, Ohio; and Raleigh S.

Raleigh S. Leist acquired his early education in the district schools of Henry

county, later becoming a student at the Fayette Normal School at Fayette, Ohio, and he afterward completed a course in the Davis Business College of Toledo. On the 1st of May, 1890, he entered the employ of the Peoples Savings Association in a clerical capacity and as his experience and ability increased he was promoted to positions of greater importance and responsibility, at length becoming secretary and manager. For thirty-two years he has been identified with the Association and there is no phase of the business with which he is not thoroughly familiar. He is an able financier and has labored effectively to broaden the scope of the institution which he represents.

At Liberty Center, Ohio, on the 25th of June, 1891, Mr. Leist was married to Miss Nellie M. Wright, a daughter of John A. and Katherine I. Wright, residing on one of the well developed farms of Henry county, this state. Fidelity to duty is one of Mr. Leist's outstanding characteristics and his history is proof of the fact that industry and ability will always come to the front.

WILLIAM ALBERT HUMMEL

For many years the name of Hummel has figured prominently in commercial circles of Toledo in connection with the contracting business and William Albert Hummel is ably sustaining the traditions of the family in this respect, displaying the same enterprising spirit and executive ability which characterized his father in the control of his interests. He is one of Toledo's native sons, his birth having occurred in this city on the 6th of May, 1875, and his parents were Peter and Mary (Whipking) Hummel, the latter also a native of Toledo. The father was of foreign birth and in early life he came to the United States. For many years he engaged in the contracting business in Toledo, ranking with the most successful operators in this field of activity. He passed away on the 6th of January, 1893. The mother is still a resident of this city. To Mr. and Mrs. Hummel were born four children: Mrs. Gertrude Waldvogel of Toledo; Mrs. Minnie Heckman, whose home is in Lucas county, this state; and Henry P. and William A., both of Toledo.

William Albert Hummel attended the grammar schools and for three years was a pupil in the Central high school of this city, later completing a course in the Davis Business College. His initial experience along commercial lines was obtained with his father. Following his father's death he entered the employ of the contracting firm of Schillinger Brothers and he worked his way steadily upward during the fifteen years in their service until he at length became vice president of the company, capably filling that office for five years. On May 23, 1906, in association with William B. Hillebrand, he entered the field of reinforced concrete construction and the firm of Hummel & Hillebrand has since enjoyed a prosperous existence, establishing their position among the foremost contractors of Toledo. They lay sidewalks, driveways, stable and automobile floors, rock asphalt floors, asphalt and composition gravel roofing and do all kinds of cement work. They have built up a large business in this city, owing to their expert skill and thorough reliability, and they have also executed a number of contracts in other sections of the country.

On the 6th of May, 1902, Mr. Hummel was united in marriage to Miss Lula Kuhman, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kuhman of Toledo, and they have

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become the parents of three children: Wilma, who was born May 3, 1904, and is a graduate of the Scott high school of this city; Burnetta, who was born October 12, 1906, and is attending that institution; and Lula, who was born April 8, 1909, and is a pupil in the grammar school. Mr. Hummel is a member of the Builders Exchange, the Toledo Commerce Club and the Toledo Automobile Club. He is a republican in his political views and his fraternal connections are with the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He has made a thorough study of the business in which he is engaged and his work represents the highest degree of efficiency in his line. His success has been won through industry and ability and his spirit of initiative has constituted an important feature in the city's improvement and upbuilding. He resides at No. 427 Hamilton street.

WALTER ROSENGARTEN

It is under the pressure of necessity and the stimulus of opposition that the best and strongest in man are brought out and developed, for this is the test that proves the true worth of the individual. The conditions of his early youth aroused in Walter Rosengarten a spirit of self-reliance and independence that has enabled him to cope successfully with life's problems and today he ranks with the prosperous business men of Toledo, being the proprietor of a large printing establishment. He is a native of Canada, his birth having occurred at London, in the province of Ontario, on the 10th of May, 1878, and his parents were Philip and Mary Rosengarten. They were of European birth and emigrated to Canada in early life. The father died during the infancy of the subject of this review and the mother afterward crossed the border into the United States, establishing the family home in Toledo, where she continued to reside until her demise in 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Rosengarten had three sons: Walter; William, who is living at Redford, Michigan; and Mark, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Walter Rosengarten received very limited educational advantages, laying aside his textbooks when twelve years of age to become a wage earner. He was employed along various lines in his native city and after the removal of the family to Toledo he obtained work with the News, with which he acquired a knowledge of the printer's trade. He remained with that paper until 1910, gaining valuable experience, and then established a printing business, which he has since successfully conducted, building up a large trade through indefatigable efforts and honorable methods. He combines a detailed knowledge of the business with marked executive ability and his plant is supplied with all the equipment necessary for the production of high class work, fifteen employes being utilized in operating the business, of which Mr. Rosengarten is sole owner. He also has mercantile interests, being a director of the Conde Cloak Company of this city.

On the 5th of February, 1899, Mr. Rosengarten was married to Miss Hattie Grasgreen, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Grasgreen of Toledo, and they have become the parents of two sons: Earl Morris, who was born June 17, 1901, and is now pursuing a business course at Ann Arbor, Michigan, being in his senior year; and Roy Philip, who was born June 29, 1904, and is a pupil at the Waite high school of Toledo.

Mr. Rosengarten is independent in his political views and was nominated on the

independent and democratic tickets for the office of county clerk of Lucas county, losing the election by only three hundred and thirty-five votes. He is prominent in local fraternal circles, belonging to the Masonic order, the Knights of Pythias, the Woodmen of the World, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and in 1916 he was made exalted ruler of Toledo Lodge of the last named organization. His civic loyalty finds expression in his connection with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and he is also a member of the Maumee River Yacht Club. Diligence and determination have constituted the foundation upon which he has reared the superstructure of success and his course indicates that the field of opportunity is open to all who have the courage to persevere therein.

W. FRANK BRADLEY

Among the productive industries which have contributed to Toledo's commercial upbuilding and prosperity is that of the Ohio & Michigan Sand & Gravel Company, of which W. Frank Bradley is the president, and the Cadillac Sand & Gravel Company, of which he is the manager. He was born at Upper Sandusky, Ohio, April 11, 1859, a son of James K. and Mary (Rubendale) Bradley, the former a native of New York state and the latter of Ohio. The father was a veteran of the Civil war, enlisting as a private in an Indiana regiment, serving throughout the period of hostilities. He was a successful business man, devoting his attention to the operation of a planing mill, and he later moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana. His demise occurred in 1898. The mother is now a resident of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

In the acquirement of an education W. Frank Bradley attended the public schools at Fort Wayne, Indiana, and later took up the study of engineering in a private technical school. After completing the course he secured a position as mechanical draftsman with the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad and the Kanawha & Michigan Railway, and was actively connected with the construction of these lines from Toledo to Charleston, West Virginia. His capacity and fidelity to the interests in his charge led to his promotion to the position of master mechanic of the Kanawha & Michigan Railway, which position he continued to fill until 1891, when he resigned to become superintendent of motive power and later superintendent of the Ann Arbor Railroad. He remained with that road from 1891 until 1908 and then organized the Ohio & Michigan Sand & Gravel Company, of which he is president. He later took part in the organization of the Cadillac Sand & Gravel Company, of which he is the manager. The undertakings have enjoyed a substantial growth, marketing from six thousand to ten thousand cars of sand and gravel per year, incident to the rapid development of concrete construction and highway improvements. The gravel deposits of the companies are located at Chilson and Fleming Creek, Michigan, and they supply sand and gravel to the cities through this section, the principal markets being Detroit and Toledo, for building and pavement purposes.

At Fort Wayne, Indiana, on the 18th of September, 1887, Mr. Bradley was married to Miss Mary Ellen Babcock, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Babcock, former residents of Napoleon, Ohio. Two daughters were born to this union: Marie, the wife of H. C. Ellis, who is a native of Charleston, West Vir-

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ginia, but was educated in the public schools of Toledo and in Columbia University, New York, and is now a resident of the city; and Miss Helen L. Bradley, who was born at Durand, Michigan, is a graduate of the Scott high school of Toledo, and later attended the University of Michigan, and graduated from the Law-Froebel School, Toledo, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Bradley are members of the First Congregational church of Toledo. He served on the building committee which had charge of the erection of the Collingwood Avenue church of that denomination. He gives his political allegiance to the republican party and is a member of the Masonic lodge and the Commerce and Exchange clubs. His life has been active in these interests. His residence is at No. 2274 Robinwood avenue.

ALBERT TROTTER

Extensive lumber and real estate interests claim the attention and profit by the direction of Albert Trotter, whose rapidly developing powers have brought him to a position of leadership in business circles of Toledo. A native of Canada, he was born at Kingston, in the province of Ontario, November 26, 1871; his parents, William and Jamima (Kennedy) Trotter were also natives of that city, in which they spent their early lives. The father was engaged in the export lumber business in eastern Canada. In their family were eight children, six of whom survive, namely: William, who lives in Chatham, Ontario, Canada; Norman a resident of Little Current, in that province; Mrs. J. M. Rankin, and Mrs. Dr. McGavock, both residents of Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. A. E. Wilson of Toronto, Canada; and Albert.

Albert Trotter acquired his education in Kent county, Canada, to which place his parents had moved in his early boyhood, and his initial business experience was obtained in connection with the timber and lumber industry, later in the handling of timber and farm lands in the different provinces until 1902, when he came to Toledo and joined with his brother David, who had located in this city several years prior to that time, and who had established a very successful and thrifty wholesale lumber business. They were partners in the undertaking, Albert handling the timber and manufacturing business in Tennessee and Alabama, where they were extensive manufacturers of lumber and staves until November, 1916, when David very suddenly passed away. The subject of this review has since continued the business industry and is still manufacturing lumber on their vast holdings of timber land in the southern states, and conducting the wholesale and retail planing mill and factory business in Toledo, Ohio.

The entire business is under the direct management of Mr. Trotter, who serves as president of the different concerns. A business of large proportions has been developed by the adding of the Trotter-Whelan Real Estate and Insurance Company, of which Mr. Trotter is president and which concern carries on an extensive real estate and insurance business.

Mr. Trotter serves on the board of directors of several local concerns in which he is financially interested, other than his own companies. He is also a member of several clubs in the city, including the Maumee River Yacht Club. Being interested in various sections of the city, he is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, of the South Side Chamber of Commerce and of the East Side Chamber of Commerce.

On May 28, 1903, Mr. Trotter married Miss Sarah Kennedy of Chatham, Ontario. They have become the parents of one son, William David, who was born in Spring City, Tennessee, in 1907, and is now a student at Waite high school. Mr. and Mrs. Trotter and their son are members of Park Congregational church.

VICTOR COMTE

A spirit of undaunted enterprise has characterized Victor Comte in the conduct of business affairs and through his active career he has made steady progress until his holdings and business connections are large and important. He has always lived in Lucas county, his birth having occurred in Oregon township on the 12th of March, 1870, his parents being Henry and Mary (Simons) Comte. It was about the year 1853 that his father came to Toledo. He was a mason by trade, having learned bricklaying at an early age, and here he assisted in building many of the early business blocks and substantial residences of that period, his efforts contributing in large measure to the architectural improvement and adornment of the city. Later he removed to a farm near the city, where he resided for a number of years, afterward returning to Toledo, where he made his home until his death.

Victor Comte, having completed his public school education, prepared for the battles of life, determined to come off victor in the strife. He has achieved his purpose and has made for himself a most creditable position in the front rank of representative business men here. For the past thirty years he has been a well known accountant, but this has not constituted the scope of his activity, for he is the treasurer of the B. R. Baker Company, dealers in clothing and men's furnishings. He is likewise the president of the Merchants Credit & Adjustment Association and his sound judgment, his capability and tact in this connection have brought about important and valuable results. He is likewise a director of the Comte-Naumann Building Company and his determined purpose enables him to carry forward to successful completion whatever he undertakes.

On the 2d of June, 1896, occurred the marriage of Victor Comte and Miss Mary A. Dahm of Toledo, and they have become parents of three children: Veronica, who is the wife of Joseph M. Boyle of this city; Mildred Victoria; and Bernard Clifford. The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic church and Mr. Comte is connected with the Knights of Columbus. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and his interests in regard to the city and its welfare are broad and of substantial character. He cordially supports plans and projects for the general good and he has keen interest in Toledo, for his life has been passed within the borders of city and county.

JOHN C. A. LEPPELMAN

John C. A. Leppelman, secretary and treasurer of the Consolidated Pump Company, has had broad experience along business lines and his enterprise and ability have carried him steadily forward to the goal of success. He was born in Maumee, Ohio, April 24, 1870, and his parents were Emil and Olive (Allen) Leppelman, the former a native of Fremont, Ohio, and the latter of Maumee.

The maternal grandfather, John C. Allen, was a native of New England and removed to this state at an early period in its development, settling at Maumee, where he spent the remainder of his life. The paternal grandfather was a pioneer of Lucas county and his son, Emil Leppelman, removed to the west, locating in Kansas. He continued to make his home in that state until his death, devoting his attention to the manufacture of sleds and wagons. The mother passed away at Washington, D. C., in 1886.

John C. A. Leppelman, their only child, acquired his education in the public schools of Maumee, Ohio, and Washington, D. C., and at an early age he left home, going to the panhandle of Texas. He secured work as a cowboy on the "Diamond Tail" cattle ranch and followed that exciting occupation until 1890, when he came to this city, and for five years had charge of the factory of the Toledo Pump Company. In 1895 he went to Memphis, Tennessee, and established a lumber business which he conducted successfully until 1900, when he disposed of his interests there and returned to Toledo, resuming his connection with the Toledo Pump Company. In association with G. M. McCarty and E. M. Tibbetts, he purchased the business, which was reorganized and has since been conducted under the name of the Consolidated Pump Company. Following the death of Mr. McCarty it has been operated by Mr. Tibbetts and Mr. Leppelman, the latter of whom is serving as secretary and treasurer. They manufacture pumps and ladders, utilizing fifty employes in the operation of their plant, and their products are shipped to all parts of the United States and also to points in Mexico and Canada. Mr. Leppelman has made a close study of the business, of which he has a detailed knowledge, and his energy, foresight and keen sagacity have been determining factors in the success which has attended the activities of the firm. His standing as a business man is indicated in the fact that he has been called to the presidency of the National Association of Ladder Manufacturers and is now filling that office.

On the 20th of February, 1895, Mr. Leppelman was married to Miss Anna Frances Schrink of this city and they have become the parents of three daughters: Olive, a native of Memphis, Tennessee, acquired her education in this city and is now the wife of V. E. Brailey of Toledo, by whom she has a daughter, Sibyl Brailey; Aileen was also born in Memphis and became the wife of Edwin F. Broer, of this city; Catherine was born in Toledo and is still at home.

Mr. Leppelman manifests a deep interest in everything relating to the welfare and development of the city and is a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He is also connected with the Rotary Club and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and his political support is given to the republican party. He has depended upon his own efforts for advancement and his progressive spirit has prompted him to put forth earnest and effective effort that has placed him with Toledo's leading business men and prominent citizens. Mr. Leppelman's residence is at No. 662 West Delaware avenue.

FREDERICK FRANKLIN GROSE

Frederick Franklin Grose is devoting his attention to the real estate business in connection with the Ramseyer Company, of which he was made sales manager in 1916. He has always been a resident of Ohio, Upper Sandusky being the place of his nativity and January 10, 1887, the date of his birth. His parents were Lewis

and Louise (Scheufler) Grose and it was while spending his boyhood under the parental roof that he devoted his attention largely to the acquirement of a public school education until he reached the age of fourteen years. He was twenty years of age when in 1907 he came to this city and secured employment in the Lion Store, where he continued for six years, working his way steadily upward until he became assistant manager of the clothing department. On severing that connection he turned his attention to real estate activity and entered into relations with the Ramseyer Company, being made sales manager in 1916. Through the intervening period he has continued in this position, which is one of large responsibility because of the extensive clientele of the firm. He wisely, carefully and successfully directs the sales force of this corporation and in this connection has become widely known in the business circles of his adopted city.

On the 16th of April, 1913, Mr. Grose was married to Miss Mabel M. Reasoner of Toledo and they have become parents of three children: Dorothy Grace, Helen Louise and Frederick Jack. Mr. Grose belongs to the Masonic fraternity and is a loyal follower of the teachings of the order, exemplifying in his daily conduct the spirit upon which the craft is based. He belongs to the Real Estate Association, but he has never sought to figure prominently in connection with public affairs. This does not mean that he is ever remiss in the duties of citizenship; on the contrary he is loyal to the best interests of community, commonwealth and country and endeavors to uphold high ideals at all times. He does not seek the rewards of office, however, but concentrates his efforts and attention upon his daily tasks as a business man and thus his course has been marked by steady advancement.

SAMUEL E. WEIL

Samuel E. Weil, organizer and president of the firm of S. E. Weil & Company, was born in Germany, on the Switzerland border, on the 19th of July, 1867, and is a son of the late Max and Fanny (Rosenthal) Weil. The father was engaged in the leather business, developing an enterprise of considerable proportions in his native country. The son was accorded liberal educational opportunities, attending the universities of Germany to the age of fifteen years, when he bade adieu to friends and native country and sailed for America, arriving in Toledo in 1882, since which time he has been a resident of this city, covering a period of forty years. Here he became associated with the wholesale fruit and produce business of Mr. N. L. Ries, one of the pioneers of Toledo, and throughout the intervening period has remained active in this commercial field. Acquainted with every phase of the business, he organized the firm of S. E. Weil & Company, of which he has been the head. In directing the affairs of the company and promoting its growth he has displayed marked capability, thoroughness, initiative and enterprise and with the passing years the business has expanded along lines that have made this one of the leading and strongest houses of its kind in the city. Mr. Weil has also directed his efforts into financial circles, becoming a director of the Security Savings Bank & Trust Company.

On the 27th of February, 1890, Mr. Weil was united in marriage to Miss Elise Ries of Toledo, Ohio. Their only child, Milton Ries Weil, died on the 10th of January, 1918, after a short illness, when but twenty-six years of age.

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This blow was a terrible one to both Mr. and Mrs. Weil, as the young man was unusually bright and lovable.

Mr. Weil finds his recreation in golf but the major part of his time and attention is devoted to his business affairs. He has always had the best interests of the city at heart and no needy one has ever applied to him in vain. Mr. Weil is a modest, unassuming, kind-hearted gentleman and a great lover of children. He has never had occasion to regret his determination to come to the new world, where he has steadily worked his way to success by his untiring efforts.

OLIVER GILES COMSTOCK, M. D.

In the death of Dr. Oliver Giles Comstock, Toledo mourned the loss of one whose life was of great usefulness and value to the city and whose memory remains as a blessed benediction to all who knew him. A native of Sylvania, Ohio, he was born on the 29th of September, 1835, his parents being Giles and Electa (Vroman) Comstock, who resided on a farm in that locality. Oliver Giles Comstock obtained his early education in the public schools of Sylvania and afterward attended the high school at Adrian, Michigan. Later he continued his studies in Ann Arbor and at Ypsilanti, Michigan, and eventually he pursued a three years' course of study in the Toledo Medical College at Toledo, where he won his professional degree. Throughout his life he was of most studious nature, constantly broadening his knowledge and promoting his efficiency through wide reading and scientific research. After completing his course of study in Toledo he went to Detroit, where he engaged in the practice of medicine for some time, returning to this city in 1890 and here remaining until his demise, maintaining his home and office at No. 1530 Western avenue. He also occupied the chair of physiology in the Toledo Medical College for a time and he was surgeon-general for the canton of Odd Fellows. His private practice was very extensive and for eight years he filled the position of city physician. He enjoyed wide popularity among his brethren of the profession because of his deference for the opinions of others and his close conformity to the highest ethical standards. He was for a long time a member of the staff of the Toledo Hospital and he there maintained a ward for children. He was greatly loved among the poor, not only by reason of professional assistance rendered them without remuneration but also because of his kindly aid in many another way. It is said that he was constantly seen with a bundle which contained some needed article for an unfortunate one in whom he was interested.

In his political views Dr. Comstock was always a stanch republican and he was a member of the Lincoln Republican Club. He belonged to the Knights of Pythias, to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, to the Knights and Ladies of Security and to the city, county and state medical societies. His religious faith was indicated in his membership in the Broadway Methodist church and he served on its official board. Throughout his life he sought not only that advancement which means material gain but also sought promotion in that broader field of religious experience which draws the individual closer and closer into harmony with the laws of God. He recognized the brotherhood of man and this was continually manifest in his liberal charity and kindliness, many families being the special objects of his bounty, while at no time did he withhold a helping hand where he could render assistance. One of his methods of recreation was the cultivation of flowers, of which he was

very fond. He also derived great pleasure from the study of birds and dogs and he loved nature in every form. Each year he would make his way to the forest for a fishing trip and at the same time would find keen pleasure in the study of birds and nature in general. He made his life a practice ground for the life to come and was constantly reaching out into the broader realm of thought and of service.

On the 10th of September, 1890, in Cleveland, Ohio, Dr. Comstock was united in marriage to Miss Alvretta Perkins, a daughter of Horace A. and Naomi Perkins, the former a native of Trenton, Michigan, and a machinist by trade. Mrs. Comstock, like her husband, has been keenly interested in all those forces which make for uplift and cultural progress. She is a lady of innate refinement of nature and her life has been fraught with many good deeds. For fifteen years she belonged to the Educational Club of Toledo. In 1890 she was a member of the board of the Humane Society and she is widely known for her church work and her many benevolent enterprises. She has taken part in all sorts of charitable work in connection with the Western Avenue Methodist Episcopal church and was the organizer and is the president of the Invincible Society, composed of a number of young ladies and recognized as one of the most flourishing of the church societies of the city. She has done a large amount of charitable work in a quiet way through the ladies' auxiliary to the Humane Society and through her assistance a number of needy children have been clothed and kept in school. At the present writing she is heading a movement to establish a home for girls in a part of the city where such an institution is much needed. She was the president of the Door of Hope for two years and later this was changed to the Flower Home for Girls. She belongs to the Rebekah Lodge, the Pythian Sisters and to the Toledo Relief Corps. She is a member of the Mental Culture Club and has always been keenly interested in literature, while her contributions to the meetings of the literary clubs with which she is identified have been of a most instructive and entertaining character. She recently read a paper full of pretty conceits which was most widely and favorably commented upon and which she called "The Strange Story of the Flowers," comparing them to people, finding a similarity between the long, slender, graceful leaf and the refined oval face; the sharp, broad leaf and the broad, happy face; the coarse, rough leaf and the coarse, irregular features of some faces; and similar interesting comparisons. The little stanza telling how the forget-me-not got its name was quoted and other pretty fragments from her pen. Both Dr. and Mrs. Comstock contributed much toward the work of making the world a better and brighter place in which to live, and while his memory is cherished and revered by all with whom he came into contact, she is still carrying on the great work to which their lives had been dedicated—the work of uplift and progress along intellectual and moral lines. It was on the 29th of October, 1913, that Dr. Comstock was called to his final rest.

BURTON K. BLANCHET

Burton K. Blanchet, senior member of the firm of Blanchet, Thornburgh & Vandersall, is a native son of Toledo and one of the city's well known investment dealers. He was born February 3, 1888. He attended grammar school at Toledo, was graduated from high school at Terre Haute, Indiana, and attended Rose Polytechnic Institute of that city. His initial business experience was with the

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Rathbun-Jones Engineering Company of Toledo and later with The General Motors Corporation. He entered the investment field in 1911, becoming associated with Stacy & Braum of Toledo, with whom he remained until 1917, when he organized the investment business of Graves & Blanchet, which in 1918 became known as Graves, Blanchet & Thornburgh. This partnership was continued until January 1, 1922, when Mr. Graves retired and a new partnership under the name of Blanchet, Thornburgh & Vandersall was established. They deal in municipal bonds and since its inception the business has enjoyed a steady growth, theirs now being one of the representative bond houses of the city.

On May 20, 1915, Mr. Blanchet was united in marriage to Miss Irma M. Ely, daughter of Mrs. Marguerite M. Ely of this city.

In his political views Mr. Blanchet is a republican. He is a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Country Club and Sylvania Golf Club, while fraternally he is a Mason and a Shriner. He is a man of enterprise who displays sound judgment in the management of his business affairs, and he has been no small factor in the success and growth of the bond business of Blanchet, Thornburgh & Vandersall, whose offices are on the third floor of the Second National Bank building. Mr. Blanchet has a wide acquaintance among investment and financial men throughout the country. His residence is at No. 2120 Calumet avenue.

HARRY G. POTTER

Harry G. Potter, engaged in the real estate business in Toledo, is one of the substantial citizens that the Empire state has furnished Ohio. He was born in Corinth, New York, January 24, 1871, his parents being Frederick R. and Mary (Hill) Potter, the former a native of the state of New York, while the latter was born in London, England. She was brought to America during her girlhood days and thereafter resided in New York. Mr. Potter, too, is of English lineage, although the family has been represented for some time on this side of the Atlantic. He is an active member of the Baptist church and has been prominent in community affairs, serving at one time as postmaster of Schroon Lake, New York.

Harry G. Potter acquired his education in the schools of New York and of Toledo, first coming to this city in 1883, when a lad of twelve years. He returned to the Empire state, however, but some time afterward again took up his abode in Toledo. He began his business career in the employ of Harvey P. Platt, one of the prominent lawyers of this city, but he became interested in the real estate business and joined his preceptor in the firm of Harvey P. Platt & Company. He took up the work of reclaiming swamp lands in Ohio and in the south, afterward colonizing these lands, and throughout the intervening period he has steadily engaged in the real estate business, promoting many important projects of this kind. After a partnership with Mr. Platt, covering a period of fifteen years, he started out independently and now has well appointed offices in the Commerce-Guardian building. He has negotiated many important realty transfers for others and has handled important commissions as a real estate broker, while at the same time he has made judicious purchases and sales as an individual.

Mr. Potter is recognized as one of the foremost realtors of Toledo, possessing notably sound judgment and keen discrimination, while his knowledge of real estate values is comprehensive and accurate. His political allegiance is given to the

republican party and he keeps well informed on the questions and issues of the day but does not seek nor desire office. His religious faith is that of the Baptist church and his life has been well spent, gaining for him the confidence and high regard of those with whom he has been brought into contact.

WILLIAM H. STANDART

For many years William H. Standart was closely and prominently associated with business interests in Toledo and for a number of years he was the president of the Standart-Simmons Hardware Company. He retired from the active management of the business, however, some time before his death, but did not sever his financial connection with important interests of the city. His life served as a source of inspiration and encouragement to others, showing what can be accomplished by individual effort, for he started out in a humble position and won his advancement through merit and capability. Mr. Standart was a native of Indiana, his birth having occurred in the city of Attica, October 23, 1850, his parents being William E. and Alice L. (Jackson) Standart. The father was a merchant who for a number of years conducted business at Cleveland, Ohio, and with the outbreak of the Civil war in 1861 he prepared for active service, organizing what became known as Standart's Battery. He was chosen captain thereof and was chief of artillery in Palmer's Division of the Union forces. With his command he served to the close of the war and his own valor, courage and loyalty inspired the men who served under him.

His son, William H. Standart, pursued his education in the public schools of Cleveland, supplemented by attendance for a year and a half at the University of Michigan. He started out to provide for his own support, however, in 1866, when a boy of but sixteen years, by securing employment in a hardware store in Toledo and for an extended period he was closely associated with the hardware trade. He worked diligently, proved his loyalty and capability and advanced step by step. In 1878 he entered the employ of the Bostwick-Braun Company and after serving as an employe for almost a decade was admitted to partnership in 1887. He was then active in control of the business for about seventeen years but sold his interest in 1904. Two years later, or in 1906, he organized the Standart-Simmons Hardware Company, of which he continued president for a number of years. He developed this business upon a sound and substantial basis and directed his energies along lines leading to continued success. His entire business career was one which would bear the closest investigation and scrutiny and should prove of inspirational value to others, showing what can be accomplished when there is a will to dare and to do. Up to the time of his death Mr. Standart maintained an interest in the Toledo Travelers Life Insurance Company, of which he was the first vice president, and his business interests and wise investments brought him a most substantial annual income.

On the 28th of September, 1888, Mr. Standart was married to Miss Sarah M. Wheeler, a representative of one of the old families of this city residing here from early times. It was one of this family that built the Wheeler Opera House, which was the first place of amusement of this character in Toledo.

Mr. Standart passed away June 20, 1922. He was well known in club circles, having membership in the Toledo and Country clubs. He belonged also to the

Masonic fraternity and was a loyal supporter of the teachings and purposes of the craft. He ever manifested great interest in the Newsboys Association and believed in the wise encouragement and support of the little fellows who are distributing the papers through the city and from whose ranks have risen many of the now substantial and progressive business men and honored residents of Toledo. In a word, Mr. Standart was always alive to the possibilities of "awakening the little seeds of good asleep throughout the world" and especially were his efforts directed in those fields where labor is put forth to safeguard the child and bring about the development of character that has its basis in firm and upright principles.

THOMAS N. BIERLY

Thomas N. Bierly, attorney at law, who has long occupied a position in the front rank of the legal profession in Toledo, comes to this state from Pennsylvania, his birth having occurred in Center county, February 21, 1855. He is a son of George and Sarah (Magee) Bierly, also natives of the Keystone state, whence they removed to Ohio in 1857, settling in Bradner, Wood county, where the father became a successful farmer, owning and cultivating a large and valuable tract of land throughout his remaining days. At the outbreak of the Mexican war he was appointed a captain of a Pennsylvania company and drilled the soldiers that went into service under his command. He was also made a drillmaster for the Federal troops during the Civil war. He passed away on his farm in Wood county at the notable age of ninety years, thus closing a life of great usefulness. His wife also passed away on the old homestead, at the age of eighty-six years. In their family were eight children, four of whom have passed to the great beyond, while those living are: Thomas N.; Cyrus, a resident of Marcy, Minnesota; Mrs. Nancy Plantz of Bradner, Ohio; and Mrs. Ella Westerfield, also living in Bradner.

In his youthful days Thomas N. Bierly attended the public schools of Prospect, Ohio, and early took up the profession of teaching in the country schools, which he followed for several years. He regarded this, however, merely as an initial step to other professional labor, as it was his desire to become a member of the bar and to this end he became a student in the law office of James R. Tyler at Perrysburg, who directed his reading until his admission to the bar in 1876. He afterward engaged in practice in Perrysburg and continued successfully in active practice in Wood county for eighteen years. In 1897, with broad and valuable experience, he came to Toledo, where he opened an office, and through the intervening period he has won place among the most prominent and highly respected members of the bar of this city. He displays marked ability in analyzing his cases and in readily seeing the relation between cause and effect, while he is seldom, if ever, at fault in the application of a legal principle.

Mr. Bierly was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Furbush of Adrian, Michigan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Furbush, and they have become parents of four children: Clarence C., born in Pemberville, Ohio, and educated in the Toledo high school, is now engaged in the insurance business in this city. He married Miss Frances Bowne of Chicago and they have two children, Virginia and Jane; Lulu, the second of the Bierly family, was born in Pemberville and also pursued a high school course in Toledo; Everett O., born in Pemberville, Ohio, and educated in the Toledo schools, married Miss Maude DeMuth and they have three children,

Maxine, Phyllis and Richard; Neva, born in Pemberville, has also pursued a high school course in Toledo. The family reside at No. 1793 Parkside.

Mr. Bierly has given his political allegiance to the democratic party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise and has several times been called to public office. He served for eight years as mayor of Pemberville, giving to the city a businesslike and progressive administration, and he was also president of the school board there. He has likewise been a nominee for the office of common pleas judge and circuit judge. While undoubtedly not without that political ambition which is so great an incentive for fidelity and capability in public office, he nevertheless regards the pursuits of private life as in themselves abundantly worthy of his best efforts and concentrates his time and attention upon his professional duties, his devotion to his clients' interests being proverbial. He belongs to both the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations and enjoys in unusual degree the confidence, goodwill and respect of his professional brethren. He is also a loyal member of the Masonic fraternity, in which he has taken the Royal Arch degrees.

ALBERT CLIFFORD WANNAMAKER

Albert Clifford Wannamaker, president of the Buckeye Furniture Company, has throughout his entire business career readily recognized the opportunities of trade and commerce and in the utilization of the advantages which have come to him he has reached a creditable place in business circles of this city. Ohio numbers him among her native sons, his birth having occurred in Wayne county, on the 11th of February, 1873, his parents being Alfred and Catherine (Weaver) Wannamaker. The father was a flour manufacturer, devoting many years to the milling business and with the trade Albert C. Wannamaker became familiar. At the usual age he entered the public schools of West Salem, Ohio, and after completing his course of study there attended a business college, thus qualifying for life's practical and responsible duties.

Mr. Wannamaker dates his residence in Toledo from 1891 and through the intervening period of almost a third of a century he has been closely associated with business activity here. He was originally associated with his father in his milling enterprises, acquainting himself with the actual work of the mill and with the office end of the business as well. In time he became city salesman and later was placed in charge of the shipping department. He was also eventually given charge of the production end of the business and thus gained an intimate and comprehensive knowledge of every phase of the trade from the time the grain was purchased until it was placed on the market a finished product. In 1912 Mr. Wannamaker purchased an interest in the Buckeye Furniture Company, all of the stock of which is owned by the family. He is now the president of this concern, which occupies four floors of a building eighty by one hundred and twenty feet, and which is capitalized for fifty thousand dollars. The plant is splendidly equipped with the latest improved machinery for carrying on business of this character and the success of the enterprise during the past decade is attributable in no small measure to the efforts, enterprise and broad business vision of Albert C. Wannamaker. He is also the vice president and one of the directors of the Community Collateral Loan Company and is a director of the Retail Merchants Board.

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On the 28th of April, 1898, Mr. Wannamaker was united in marriage to Miss Maud Anna Schumacher of Toledo, Ohio, and they have become parents of two children: Gladys Marjorie and Alfred Gale. Mr. and Mrs. Wannamaker occupy an enviable social position, enjoying the warm friendship and high regard of many with whom they have been brought into contact. They are members of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and manifest a zealous interest in its work and the extension of its influence. Fraternally Mr. Wannamaker is also a Mason, connected with the Scottish Rite bodies up to and including the Consistory and with the Mystic Shrine. He likewise has membership with the Modern Woodmen of America and is always loyal to the teachings and purposes of these organizations. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce and is a director of The Better Business Commission. The thoroughness with which he executes every task that devolves upon him and the alertness with which he greets every opportunity that comes to him are salient features in his steady advancement which has brought him from a humble position in business circles to rank with the leading representatives of his line in northwestern Ohio.

W. T. BURKE, M. D.

For a quarter of a century Dr. W. T. Burke has engaged in the practice of medicine in Toledo and the passing years have firmly established his position among the leading physicians of the city. He was born in Northfield, Washtenaw county, Michigan, February 2, 1868, a son of Edward and Mary (Rogan) Burke, both of whom were natives of Ireland and in childhood were brought by their parents to the United States, the father being but eight years of age at that time, while the mother was a year younger. The paternal grandparents first settled in Pennsylvania, later removing to Michigan, and on reaching manhood Edward Burke took up the occupation of farming, which he continued to follow in the Wolverine state until his death. Mrs. Burke has also passed away. Seven children were born of their union, five of whom survive, namely: Rev. Anthony Burke, who was for many years pastor of a church at Battle Creek, Michigan, but is now living retired in southern California; Dr. Charles J. Burke, a prominent dentist of Battle Creek; Edward and James Burke, residents of Northfield, Michigan; and Dr. W. T. Burke of this review.

The last named attended the grammar schools of Northfield and the high school at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and then entered the State University in that city, winning his M. D. degree in 1895. After his graduation he went to northern Pennsylvania, where he remained for two years, acting in a professional capacity for several coal mining companies in that locality. In 1897 he came to Toledo, where he has since made his home, and is now a member of the medical staff of Mercy Hospital, being also connected with the auxiliary staff of St. Vincent's Hospital. His professional labors have been attended with gratifying success and his practice has steadily grown in volume and importance as he has demonstrated his ability to cope with the intricate problems which continually confront the physician in his efforts to restore health and prolong life.

Dr. Burke is a loyal supporter of the city because of his belief in its opportunities and has shown his faith in its future by judicious real estate investments, his property being situated on Monroe street. He is a communicant of St. Patrick's

Roman Catholic church and his professional relations are with the Toledo Academy of Medicine, the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical societies and the American Medical Association. He stands high in the regard of his professional colleagues and his ambition keeps him abreast with the trend of the times in the field of modern medical and surgical practice.

WILLIAM FREDERICK PIOCH

William Frederick Pioch, a native son of Toledo, is a successful building contractor and a member of a family that for many years has occupied a position of leadership in this field. Their labors have contributed substantially to the improvement and upbuilding of the city and notable examples of their skill and handiwork are to be seen on all sides. Mr. Pioch was born in this city May 10, 1884, and is a son of John and Bertha (Seeman) Pioch, both of whom are of European birth. In early life they came to the United States, settling in Toledo, where the father entered commercial circles as a building contractor, and he is still engaged in that business, having erected many of the most substantial and attractive structures in the city. His work denotes marked skill and ability and his business transactions have ever been characterized by strict honor and integrity, winning for him the confidence and respect of all with whom he has been brought into contact. The mother also survives and nine children were born of their union. Seven are living: Emil F., Frederick K., Mrs. Alice Kramer, Lydia, Arthur, Herbert and W. F., all of whom are residents of Toledo.

In the Lutheran parochial school of this city William Frederick Pioch obtained his education and his initial business experience was secured in the office of Mr. Matz, a well known architect of Toledo, with whom he remained for a short time. He then entered the architectural and drafting department of the Campbell Lumber Company, with which he was identified until 1910, resigning his position in order to engage in the building and contracting business with his father. They erected many homes, schools, business blocks and other public edifices, some of the most notable examples of their work being the Tubercular Hospital, the Toledo branch of the State Laundry and public library buildings. In 1921 William Frederick Pioch embarked in the business independently and the venture has been a very successful one. He has been awarded many important contracts, erecting the Wills St. Claire service station in Toledo, the Washington Congregational church and chapel, the building occupied by the Progress Club, the Blodgett residence at Grand Rapids, Ohio, a service station at Maumee, Ohio, and for the Bondy Motor Sales Company, the United Brethren in Christ church, and many other structures. There is no feature of the business with which he is not thoroughly familiar and he has the skill which enables him to combine utility and comfort with beauty of design. This, however, constitutes but one phase of Mr. Pioch's activities, for he is president of the Miller-Baitler Real Estate Company and the Buckeye Savings Association; secretary and treasurer of the Toledo Vitrified Brick Company and the Bondy Motor Sales Company; a director of the Enamel Vitrified Brick Company; and vice president of the Warnke Motor Sales Company of Maumee, Ohio. Opportunity has ever been to him the call to action and many lines of activity have profited by his enterprise and superior business ability.

WILLIAM F. PIOCH

Mr. Pioch was married in Toledo, September 16, 1909, to Miss Edith A. Schmidt, a native of Marengo, Iowa, and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schmidt, well known residents of that place. Two children have been born of this union: Willis, whose birth occurred July 21, 1910, and who is now attending the parochial schools; and Raymond, born October 12, 1918. Mr. and Mrs. Pioch are members of the Lutheran church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He has labored effectively for the upbuilding and improvement of his city and through his membership with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce he is doing all in his power to promote its industrial development and prosperity. In business affairs he has made steady progress and the secret of his success lies in the fact that thoroughness and diligence have characterized all of his work. His life has been guided by high standards and he worthily bears a name which for many years has stood as a synonym for integrity, reliability and enterprise in business circles of Toledo. His home is at No. 1081 North Woodruff avenue.

W. A. NEILL, M. D.

Dr. W. A. Neill, a leading gynecologist of Toledo, is one of the younger members of the medical profession, but his years seem no bar to his progress, and he has already gained a position that many an older practitioner might well envy. He was born in Chetopa, Kansas, April 17, 1890, and is a son of William Richard and Mary (Dwyer) Neill, natives of Indiana. In early life they went to Kansas, where the father became connected with the live stock business, and later he removed to Oklahoma, where he continued his operations along that line. Subsequently he made his way to the Pacific northwest and is now engaged in the timber business at Vancouver, Washington. The mother also survives. Five children have been born to them: Charles, a resident of Oklahoma; Mrs. Lena Batters of Spokane, Washington; Bertha and Betty, who are yet at home with their parents; and W. A.

W. A. Neill obtained his early education in the grammar and high schools of Vancouver, Washington, and afterward became a student at Whitman College at Walla Walla, that state, which conferred upon him the B. S. degree in 1913. His professional training was acquired in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in 1917, and following the entrance of the United States into the World war he enlisted in the navy. He was commissioned a lieutenant in the Medical Corps and was assigned to a hospital ship, remaining in the service until the close of the war, crossing the Atlantic six times. He received his discharge in 1919, afterward coming to Toledo, where he has since followed his profession as a gynecologist. He is a skillful surgeon and in the treatment of cases entrusted to his care he has been very successful. He is a member of the medical staffs of the Flower and Lucas County hospitals and is building up a large practice. He is an earnest and conscientious student and utilizes every opportunity to broaden his knowledge and promote his efficiency.

Dr. Neill takes a deep interest in the welfare and advancement of the city with which he has allied his interests and has become identified with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He is also connected with the Toledo Yacht Club and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. His professional relations are with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy, the Ohio State Medical Society and

the American Medical Association and he is also a member of Phi Delta Theta, Nu Sigma Nu and Alpha Omega, medical fraternities. He holds to high standards in professional service and his ambition, enterprise and ability are rapidly bringing him to the front in his chosen vocation.

EARL W. NEWCOMER

For many years Earl W. Newcomer was numbered among Toledo's leading pharmacists and he is now rendering valuable service to the city as welfare director. He was born in West Unity, Ohio, April 13, 1876, and his parents, Marion and Lucy (Wilson) Newcomer, are also natives of this state. For a time they resided in Kansas and the father successfully engaged in merchandising at West Unity, but he is now living retired in Toledo.

Earl W. Newcomer, their only child, attended the grammar and high schools of Bryan, Ohio, and afterward took up the study of pharmacy. For eight years he operated a drug store at Bryan and then disposed of the undertaking. Coming to Toledo in 1902, he resumed his operations along this line, building up a large business, which he successfully conducted until 1920, when the stores were sold. He is one of the directors of the Northern National Bank of this city. On the 1st of January, 1921, he was appointed welfare director of Toledo, in which capacity he is now serving, discharging his duties with efficiency and conscientiousness and working effectively to promote the public good.

In Toledo, in 1903, Mr. Newcomer was united in marriage to Miss Effie G. Saxton, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Saxton of Jackson, Michigan, and they have a son, Frank S., who was born in 1905 and is a student at the Staunton Military Academy, Staunton, Virginia. Mr. Newcomer is a member of the Toledo Club, the Rotary Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Yacht Club and he is also identified with the Masonic fraternity. He is a broadminded man, deeply interested in all movements for reform and improvement, and an active worker for the good of his city, in which he is widely known and highly esteemed.

JOHN JAMES MAY

John James May was for over thirty-two years connected with the Lasalle & Koch Company and for years, until his retirement in 1923, was the head of its finance and credit department. Mr. May is well known in Toledo's mercantile circles, where he has been identified since boyhood. He deserves no little credit for what he has accomplished and his life record indicates what may be gained through diligence, ambition and determination. Born in Lucas county, on the 13th of March, 1867, he is a son of Martin and Margaret (Carter) May. His education was acquired in St. Patrick's parochial school and in the Toledo high school and then, as later, he used his opportunities and advantages in a wise way, thus laying the foundation for his later success. He earned his living when a young boy by selling newspapers on the streets of Toledo. He subsequently obtained a position as cash boy in a small store and his duties included the doing of all sorts of errands. He early realized that industry is the basis of success and he also felt that education

was necessary for advancement. Accordingly, he studied nights and improved his leisure hours in the acquirement of knowledge. He took a private course in bookkeeping and thus fitted himself for larger responsibilities and more onerous duties. Step by step he advanced until he became manager of a store in Lima, Ohio, and in that connection he also gained valuable experience that fitted him for still further advanced steps. In 1891 he became associated with the Lasalle & Koch Company in the position of bookkeeper, from which position he was advanced from time to time, until becoming the head of its credit and finance department. He proved himself fully worthy of the trust reposed in him, while his devotion to duty and close application to business were unusual. In forty years he took but eight days vacation.

On the 15th of June, 1892, Mr. May was married to Miss Jennie Ward of Mount Vernon, Ohio, and they are parents of four children: Virginia Clarissa, Rosalind Genevieve, John Joseph and Kathryn Ward. In addition to his pleasant home at No. 364 Rockingham street, Mr. May owns "Rose Lawn Farms"—a valuable tract of two hundred and twenty-six acres in Springfield township, to which he gives his personal supervision and direction since retiring from commercial affairs.

CHARLES E. SWARTZBAUGH

Toledo knew Charles E. Swartzbaugh as a citizen from 1897 to the time of his death, which occurred a quarter of a century later, and in that period recognized him as a progressive and reliable business man, dominated by a laudable ambition and inspired by a broad business vision. Ohio claims him as a native son, his birth having occurred in Lawrenceville, Clark county, in 1859. There he spent his early life, with the usual educational training of that locality and period, and after reaching young manhood ventured afield in order to try the business opportunities that might be secured elsewhere. He went to Buffalo, New York, where he continued until about 1897, when he came to Toledo. Through the intervening period he was one of the alert and energetic business men of this city. Here he organized the Toledo Cooker Company, of which he became president and in that position directed the activities and expansion of the business until his death. His plans were carefully formulated and promptly executed and his diligence and determination blazed the way to success.

Mr. Swartzbaugh was united in marriage to Miss Bessie Blackford and they became parents of six children: Charles E., Jr., Jason B., Isabelle, Mildred, Richard and Frances. The family residence was at No. 2203 Hollywood avenue and Mr. Swartzbaugh's interests centered at his own fireside, his greatest happiness being found in ministering to the comfort and welfare of the members of his own household. At the same time he never neglected his duties and obligations in other relations of life. He was a consistent member of Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., and he belonged to the Collingwood Presbyterian church, of which he was a loyal member and generous supporter. He also had membership in the Toledo Club and in the Inverness Club and his social qualties made him popular with those with whom he came into contact. He belonged likewise to the Chamber of Commerce and was interested in all of the projects of that organization to benefit the city along lines of material upbuilding, business expansion and

civic progress. When he passed away he left behind him many friends who esteemed him not only for the success he had achieved but for the sterling traits of character which he manifested in every relation of life. His demise occurred on the 27th of April, 1922.

ALFRED W. REISER

Alfred W. Reiser is a member of a family that has figured prominently in business circles of Toledo for the past thirty-eight years, being formerly president of The Reidon Company, one of the large manufacturing industries of the city. He was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, February 10, 1883, a son of Vincent and Mary (Raddick) Reiser, the former also a native of that place, while the latter was born in New York city. As a child Mrs. Reiser came with her parents to Ohio and in this state she was reared, educated and married. In 1884 the father entered commercial circles of Toledo and he is still actively connected with business interests of the city. The mother is also living. Seven children were born of their union: J. G., a photographer, and George F., manager of The Personal Employment Bureau, both residents of Toledo; Irving W., chief construction engineer for the Owens Bottle Company of this city; and Mrs. H. E. Beard, Mrs. Edward Shifler, Mrs. Edward Gunlite and Alfred W., all of Toledo.

In the acquirement of an education Alfred W. Reiser attended the grammar and high schools of Toledo and afterward became a student at the Polytechnic School, from which he was graduated. On the 1st of May, 1901, he entered the employ of The Western Gas Fixture Company, and that his services were highly appreciated is indicated in the fact that he became a director of the firm five years later, when he was but twenty-three years of age, while in 1908 he was made secretary. He continued to fill that office until he sold his interest in the concern and on the 6th of September, 1919, he organized The Reidon Company, of which he held the position of president and general manager. On June 24, 1922, he bought the entire interest of the above company and is now sole owner of the business, which is known as A. W. Reiser, being located at 127 and 129 Huron street. The concern manufactures electric lighting fixtures and since its inception the undertaking has enjoyed a steady and healthful growth, from thirty to forty people now being employed in the operation of the plant. Mr. Reiser has been watchful of every opportunity pointing toward success and his intelligently directed efforts have been attended by gratifying results. He also has other business interests, being a director of the Lucas County Mortgage Company.

On November 30, 1911, Mr. Reiser was married to Miss Emily A. Schneider, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Schneider of this city, and they have two daughters: Berniece, born in 1914; and Florrene, borne in 1917. Both are attending the public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Reiser are members of St. Mathew's Evangelical Lutheran church and in his political views he is an independent republican. He is a member of the Toledo Club and is prominent in fraternal circles, belonging to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, to the chapter in Masonry, and to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is a past grand and also a field officer, being adjutant of the First Regiment, ranking as captain, while he is likewise connected with the Rebekahs, an auxiliary of the order. Mr. Reiser is a self-made man in

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whose vocabulary there is no such word as fail. He has ever recognized the fact that each day and hour has its opportunity and that effort, intelligently put forth, must ultimately win its reward, and his labors have found culmination in the development of a large productive enterprise which is a factor in the commercial upbuilding of the city, as well as a source of individual profit. Mr. Reiser resides at No. 109 Rosalind place.

JOSEPH W. LANE

Joseph W. Lane is numbered among the leading members of the Toledo bar and his adherence to high professional standards has won for him the respect and confidence of his fellow practitioners and also of the general public. He was born at Fort Seneca, Ohio, April 22, 1872, and his parents were Joseph W. and Mary E. (Edwards) Lane, both of whom were also natives of the Buckeye state, in which they spent their lives. His father died when he was very young, and his mother passed away recently.

Joseph W. Lane attended the public schools of Seneca county, Ohio, after which he was employed in a clerical capacity in various mercantile establishments of Toledo. He then took up the study of law in the office of F. W. Rickenbough, a well known attorney of this city, and in October, 1896, was admitted to the bar and became a member of the firm of Rickenbough and Lane, which continued until the death of Mr. Rickenbough. In 1914 he became a member of the firm of Geer & Lane, with which he has since been connected.

Mr. Lane has been married twice. On the 25th of June, 1902, he wedded Miss Mary E. Holder, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Holder, residents of this city. Mrs. Lane died in 1914. In 1917 Mr. Lane married Cora B. Louden, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Mapes.

Mr. and Mrs. Lane are members of the Methodist Episcopal church and he is a republican in his political views. He is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Toledo Automobile Club. His professional relations are with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations and he is a member of all Toledo Masonic bodies and of the Knights of Pythias.

WILLIAM W. SMITH

William W. Smith, president of the J. W. Greene Company, dealers in musical instruments and musical merchandise, has long been associated with the commercial interests of Toledo in this way, having come to the city in 1896. He was born in Fremont, Ohio, April 6, 1872, and is a son of William J. and Laura (Greene) Smith. The father was a farmer by occupation, devoting his life to that pursuit in order to provide for the support of his family.

William W. Smith obtained a public school education and afterward took up the profession of teaching, which he successfully followed for a time, proving capable and efficient in the schoolroom, imparting readily and clearly to others the knowledge that he had acquired. Thinking to find business opportunities, how-

ever, that would bring a more speedy financial return, he came to Toledo in 1896 and here entered into active association with his maternal uncle, J. W. Greene, owner of a music store. For a number of years he traveled for the J. W. Greene Company and upon the incorporation of the business in 1899 he was elected the secretary and treasurer. He has remained one of the officials thereof and is now president. For more than a quarter of a century he has been identified with this house and the business throughout the period has steadily grown and developed, its trade increasing consistently year by year as the result of the keen business sagacity and unfaltering enterprise of the men at its head. There have been no esoteric phases in the career of William W. Smith, whose progress has been the logical outcome of his perseverance, his energy and capability.

The year which witnessed Mr. Smith's arrival in Toledo and his connection with the Greene music house also saw the establishment of a home of his own, for it was on the 12th of November, 1896, that he was united in marriage to Miss Hattie Havens of Fremont, Ohio. They are members of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, interested in its work and doing all in their power to further its progress. Mr. Smith is also a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, the Rotary Club and the Commerce Club, and is also a Knight of Pythias. His interests are broad in scope, covering all those activities which have to do with the city's upbuilding, progress and welfare.

LUTHER MERWIN COOLEY

Important commercial interests are under the direct supervision of Luther Merwin Cooley in his position as treasurer and general manager of the Cooley Drug Company of Toledo. A man of well balanced capacities and powers, he has long occupied a central place on the stage of action and his labors have found culmination in the development of a corporation which now controls a chain of stores and is constantly reaching out through its ramifying trade relations into broader territory and gaining a firmer hold upon public patronage through progressive and reliable business methods. Mr. Cooley has reversed the usual order of things by becoming a resident of Ohio. The tide of emigration has long been westward, but he did not follow the injunction of Horace Greeley to go west. Born in Brookville, Kansas, on the 11th of November, 1877, he is a son of Eli S. and Ella F. (Merwin) Cooley, who were farming people of that locality, so that his youthful days were spent amid the surroundings of agricultural life. The public schools accorded him his early educational opportunities and later he took up the study of pharmacy in St. Louis, Missouri, where he remained for a year. It was in July, 1901, that he arrived in Toledo, where he purchased a drug store and through the intervening period his business has been steadily developed and expanded until he is now the owner of five retail establishments and one wholesale drug house conducted under the name of The Cooley Drug Company, of which he is the treasurer and manager. Having these different establishments, he is able to buy most advantageously and gives the public the benefit thereof. His prices are at all times reasonable and earnest effort put forth to please his patrons has secured for him a volume of business that is most gratifying. He is likewise the vice president of the Squire-Cooley Company, engaged in book publication, and in all business affairs he displays notably sound

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judgment and keen discrimination, enabling him readily to separate the vital and essential elements of business from those that are of little worth.

In December, 1902, Mr. Cooley was married to Miss Mary E. Daugherty of Brookville, Kansas, and they have two children: Edith Merwin; and Ralph Rupert, born April 14, 1909. Mr. Cooley belongs to the Toledo Automobile Club, which indicates something of the nature of his recreation, as he greatly enjoys touring in his motor car. He belongs to the Credit Men's Association, to the Commerce Club, the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, the Ohio State Pharmaceutical Association, the Toledo Drug Club, and the National Association of Retail Druggists. Toledo has long since accepted him as a valuable asset in her business life and ranks him as a dependable man in any relation and any emergency. His residence is at No. 1116 Lincoln avenue.

EDWARD A. FLORIAN

Edward A. Florian, a man of forcefulness, energy and determination, has had broad experience along business lines and has made his influence felt in insurance circles of Toledo, being one of the leading operators in this field. He was born in Fostoria, Ohio, May 27, 1874, and his parents, Joseph and Mary (Layman) Florian, were also natives of that city. The paternal grandfather removed from Buffalo, New York, to Ohio in 1812, becoming one of the early pioneers of the state, and he first located at Sandusky, later settling at Fostoria. His son, Joseph Florian, devoted his life to the occupation of farming and passed away in 1911 at the advanced age of eighty-six years, while the mother's demise occurred in 1916. They had a large family, becoming the parents of sixteen children, ten of whom survive, namely: Mrs. Caroline Wagner, Mrs. Minnie Eckert and Mrs. Theresa Rudke, all of whom are living in Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. Louise Studer and Miss Martha Florian of Fostoria; Mrs. Christine Faul, whose home is at Cleveland, this state; and Joseph, Albert G., Mrs. H. T. Beach, and Edward A. Florian, all of this city.

The public schools of Fostoria and Toledo afforded Edward A. Florian his educational privileges and his commercial training was received in the David Business College of this city. After completing his course in that institution he secured a position with Chris Nopper, engaged in the hat and fur business, and remained with him for seven and a half years. He next entered the service of the Wertz-Kirk Hat Company, with which he was connected for six and a half years, and on the expiration of that period he embarked in the men's furnishing business, opening a store on South St. Clair street. This he conducted successfully for fifteen years and then sold to become secretary of the Corn City Savings Association, entering upon the duties of that office in 1907. He is now also at the head of the firm of E. Florian & Son, fire insurance. They represent the strongest and best known organizations in the field, acting as agents for the Southern Surety Company, the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, the Imperial Insurance Company, the Standard Insurance Company, the Citizens Insurance Company, the Insurance Company of North America and several others. They have established an enviable reputation for reliability and straightforward dealing and theirs is one of the leading insurance firms in the city. Mr. Forian is also interested in the Percentum Company, of which he is one of the directors. He is also the head of the Morgan Glove Company, manufacturers of canvas gloves.

On the 18th of June, 1895, Mr. Florian was married to Miss Jennie C. Metzger, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Metzger, prominent residents of this city, and they have become the parents of a son, Carl J. Florian, who was born in September, 1899, and is now a partner in his father's business. He married Miss Edith Redding, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Redding.

Mr. Florian is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church and a third degree Knight of Columbus. He is a member of the Sylvania Golf Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His business career has been marked by continuous advancement, for he has ever realized the fact that there is no progress without labor and has never feared to venture when a favorable opportunity was presented. In the fullness of time he has reaped the reward of earnest systematic effort, sound judgment and perseverance and is now numbered among Toledo's representative business men and valued citizens.

WILLIAM G. MANNING

William G. Manning, treasurer of the Toledo Plaster & Supply Company, has throughout his life been actuated by a spirit of energy and determination which has enabled him to advance steadily, step by step in his business career until he now ranks with the men of important business interests in his adopted city. Mr. Manning is a native of Michigan, his birth having occurred in Dansville, Ingham county, on the 28th of April, 1866, his parents being William H. and Permillie G. (Groat) Manning. The father was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church and, while devoting his life to that holy calling, he also owned and conducted a farm.

The son pursued a public school education and afterward continued his studies in the Ferris Institute at Big Rapids, Michigan. Later he became a clerk in a dry goods store, where he remained for three years and was then advanced to the position of accountant, acting in that capacity for four years. In 1902 he came to Toledo, where he entered the employ of The Lamson Brothers Company, owners of a dry goods store, and in their establishment he acted as department manager for seven years and was in charge of their credit department for a period of six years. It will thus be seen that each change in his career has marked a forward step, bringing him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. He has improved every chance for advancement, never fearing to venture where favoring opportunity pointed out the way, and his resolute spirit and indefatigable energy have guided him to a most creditable position in the business circles of the city. He has been identified with his present line of business for four years. This was first the Toledo Pulp Plaster Company, of which he became treasurer, and with the incorporation of the business under the name of the Toledo Plaster & Supply Company he continued to act as treasurer and is still in that postion. The business is now one of substantial proportions and as an executive Mr. Manning is contributing in substantial measure to the growth and success of the undertaking. He is likewise a director of the Detroit Fire Brick Company.

On the 7th of October, 1890, Mr. Manning was married to Miss Lillian D. Cassell of Grand Rapids, Michigan. They reside at No. 2635 Parkwood avenue. They are members of the Second Church of Christ Scientist, in which he has

served as a trustee and as a first reader, and he is interested in all those forces which make for the uplift of the individual and the benefit of the community at large. Moreover, his business record illustrates what can be accomplished when there is a will to dare and to do and his life history should serve to inspire and encourage others who start out in the business world as he did, without capital or special advantages, but who through individual merit and capability work their way upward, proving also that success and an honored name may be won simultaneously.

SIGMOND SANGER

Sigmond Sanger, member of the Toledo bar and also identified with many interests which directly affect the welfare, progress and happiness of the community at large, was born August 5, 1873, in Austria-Hungary, a son of Sol and Pauline (Klein) Sanger. He obtained a public school education in the schools of Toledo, for he was but a young lad when brought to the new world. Passing through consecutive grades, he was graduated with the class of 1889 of the Toledo high school, and then, having determined to make the practice of law his life work, he became a student in the University of Michigan, where he won the LL. B. degree as a member of the class of 1899. Immediately after his return to Toledo he entered upon active practice, and since 1910 has practiced as a member of the firm of Brown, Hahn & Sanger, occupying an enviable position in the legal circles of Toledo.

During the World war Mr. Sanger took an active interest in upholding the government and promoting the work growing out of war conditions. He was ward chairman during the Third, Fourth and Victory Loan drives and also was active as a member of the War Savings and War Chest committees. He has been a close student of modern-day conditions and is ever seeking to support justice and the right. During the war he was also chairman of a rent profiteering committee, seeking to prevent excessive rents, and also served on a committee to aid war risk insurance cases.

Mr. Sanger was married in 1919, to Margaret H. Dreyfus. Questions of public interest have been closely studied by him and at all times he keeps abreast with the best thinking men of the age concerning political, sociological and economic conditions. Since 1919 he has been president of the Toledo Public Library and is doing effective work in upholding and maintaining the high standards of this organization. He belongs to the Toledo and Ohio Bar associations and he commands at all times the respect and confidence of his colleagues and contemporaries in the profession as well as of the general public.

SAMUEL BRYANT WOOD

Samuel Bryant Wood, the vice president of one of the leading real estate companies of Toledo—that of the George B. Ricaby Company—and also the vice president of the George B. Ricaby Company, Inc., of Buffalo, New York, is an active and energetic figure in real estate circles and one whose wisely directed efforts are bringing to him a substantial measure of success. Toledo numbers

him among her native sons, his birth having occurred on the 2d of February, 1891, his parents being Harry D. and Julia (Mitchell) Wood. While spending his youthful days under the parental roof he attended the public schools and afterward pursued his studies in a preparatory school. When his textbooks were put aside he entered the real estate field in 1910 and a little later became associated with the George B. Ricaby Company, with which he has worked steadily upward until he is now the vice president of this concern, which is one of the oldest and strongest real estate companies of Toledo. He has gained wide experience and there are few men more thoroughly informed concerning realty values and the condition of the market. He has promoted many important realty transfers and his success is due to his close application, his earnest study, his persistency, his initiative and his indefatigable energy. He is vice president of the Ricaby-Wood-Rowland Company, general insurance.

Mr. Wood is a veteran of the World war. He enlisted in 1917, becoming a first lieutenant, and he served with the infantry, cavalry and artillery forces, being mustered out in December, 1918, with the rank of captain.

On the 1st of October, 1919, Mr. Wood was married to Miss Lois Morton and they have two children: Marybelle and Phyllis. Mr. Wood belongs to the Inverness, Toledo and Toledo Automobile clubs and is thus well known in club circles of the city. He likewise is connected with the Chamber of Commerce and is in full sympathy with the purposes of that organization to upbuild Toledo, to extend its business relations and to uphold its civic standards. He is also a member of the Toledo Real Estate Board. He is at all times actuated by a spirit of progressiveness in relation to public affairs as well as business and he has made for himself a creditable position in the regard of his fellow citizens.

GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS GESSNER

Gustavus Adolphus Gessner, president and general manager of the Gessner Company, was born in Fremont, Ohio, August 19, 1869, his parents being Dr. Gustavus Adolphus and Corolen Elizabeth (Lawton) Gessner. The father was a physician, engaging in practice for many years at Fremont, Ohio. On the paternal side he came of a long line of physicians and there were also many representatives of the medical profession among his ancestry on the maternal side. Among his forebears there were also those who served for the cause of independence in the Revolutionary war.

G. A. Gessner, Jr., obtained a high school education at Fremont, Ohio, spent one year at Oberlin College and then entered the Lehigh University School of Mines of Pennsylvania, which he attended for three years. He was afterward assistant engineer at Ashtabula, Ohio, and on leaving that place went to Alexandria, Indiana, where he remained for nearly four years as city engineer. In 1899 he came to Toledo, where he filled the position of first assistant city engineer until May, 1900. In that year he became associated with the firm of Riggs & Sherman, consulting engineers, and in 1904 was admitted to a partnership in the business. In 1907 he obtained a leave of absence from the company and became resident engineer for the city in the construction of the city filtration plant, one of the first large plants of its kind in the country. In 1910 he was made resident engineer in charge of construction at the Cherry Street bridge and then from 1911 until 1914 he was again with the

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Riggs & Sherman Company. In the latter year he became superintendent of the Toledo city waterworks department, which position he filled until June, 1915, when he resigned to organize the Gessner Company, general contractors, of which he is the president and general manager. This company does all kinds of engineering and construction work and its patronage has already become of extensive and gratifying proportions. As a city representative and in the private practice of his profession, Mr. Gessner has been identified with many important engineering projects demanding a high degree of efficiency and skill and in every particular he has been adequate to the demands made upon him. He is thoroughly familiar with the scientific principles as well as with the practical phases of the business and his position in engineering circles is now one of high rank.

On the 29th of June, 1897, Mr. Gessner was joined in wedlock to Miss Mary Lydia Booth of Ashtabula, Ohio, a direct descendant in the eleventh generation of John Alden and Priscilla Mullins. They have become the parents of two children: Charles Booth, who was born on the 17th of February, 1905; and Elizabeth Lawton. Fraternally Mr. Gessner is a Royal Arch Mason and is also connected with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with a college fraternity—the Theta Delta Chi. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, which indicates his interest in community affairs and public progress, and through the maternal line he is eligible to and has membership in the Sons of the American Revolution. His public-spirited citizenship is an outstanding feature in his career, while the strongly marked characteristic of his business life has been the thoroughness with which he has mastered every task and acquainted himself with every principle that has to do with engineering projects. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

THOMAS P. DAY

Among the varied lines of business which contribute to the commercial activity and prosperity of Toledo is that of The Container Company, of which Thomas P. Day is the chief executive officer, and the present success of the enterprise is directly attributable to his progressive policy and to his carefully devised and promptly executed plans. He was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, November 23, 1883, a son of Thomas Powers and Lillie Kingston (Means) Day, who were also natives of the Keystone state. The father was a financier of marked ability and aided in organizing the Peoples National Bank of Pittsburgh, of which he was made president. He was recognized as one of the most substantial business men of the city and continued at the head of that institution until his death, which occurred in 1899, when he was forty-eight years of age. Mrs. Day is now a resident of Pittsburgh. They were the parents of two children: Thomas P.; and Florence Means, who married D. Utley of Pittsburgh.

In the acquirement of an education Thomas P. Day attended Shady Side Academy at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and later he was a student at Hotchkiss University at Lakeside, Connecticut. His initial business experience was obtained as messenger for the Peoples National Bank of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and his faithfulness and ability led to his promotion to the position of discount clerk. He remained with the bank until 1909, when he came to Toledo and entered the employ of the C. A. King Grain Company, with which he was identified until

1916, when he assisted in organizing The Container Company, of which he was made secretary. He continued to fill that office until 1919, when he was made president, treasurer and manager, and has continued to serve in those capacities. The firm engages in the manufacture of fibre pails and since its inception the business has enjoyed a steady growth, from thirty-five to fifty men now being employed in the operation of the plant. Mr. Day carefully supervises every detail of the business, while he also has the ability to see clearly its larger aspects, and has been farsighted in directing the policy of the concern.

On the 4th of September, 1907, Mr. Day was married to Miss Miriam King, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank I. King of Toledo, and they have a daughter, Jane, who was born in 1909 and is attending the Smead school. When national issues are at stake Mr. Day casts his ballot in favor of the candidates of the republican party, but at local elections he votes for the man whom he deems best fitted for office, regardless of party ties. He is a member of the Toledo Commerce Club, the Rotary Club and the Toledo Country Club. His life record commands uniform respect and confidence. His ability and energy have constituted the materials with which he has constructed his success and he has never deviated from the course which the world regards as right in the relations between man and his fellowmen, adhering closely to the rules which govern strict integrity and unabating industry. In matters of citizenship he is public-spirited and progressive and his cooperation can always be counted upon in support of those movements which have for their object the upbuilding and advancement of the city.

WILLIAM BERNARD HILLEBRAND

Much of the commercial prestige which Toledo today enjoys is directly attributable to the civic loyalty and business enterprise of her native sons, whose well directed efforts have constituted a most important element in the upbuilding and development of the city. To this class belongs William Bernard Hillebrand, who for eighteen years has devoted his attention to the building and contracting business, and while he has gained individual prosperity, his labors have also contributed materially to the improvement and advancement of his city. He was born in Toledo, June 29, 1881, and his parents were Frank J. C. and Christina (Meyer) Hillebrand, the former a native of Cincinnati and the latter of Toledo. The father became a member of the firm of Hillebrand Brothers, conducting one of the largest furniture establishments of Toledo, and he is still a resident of the city, while the mother is also living. Six children have been born of their marriage: Leo S., whose biographical record appears elsewhere in this work; William Bernard; Frank B., whose home is in Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. Richard F. Schneider of Toledo; Sister Mary Constance, who is connected with Mercy Hospital of Ann Arbor; and Cletus, who has passed away.

In the acquirement of an education William Bernard Hillebrand attended St. Peter's parochial school and the Tri-State Business College of Toledo and following his graduation from the latter institution he secured a clerical position with the John Mockett Company, well known clothiers of this city, with whom he remained for a short time. He then entered the employ of The Schillinger Brothers Company but left their service at the end of ten months to embark in business on his own account and on the 23d of May, 1906, he became a member of the firm of Hummel

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& Hillebrand, his partner being William A. Hummel, a prominent business man of this city. They specialize in concrete construction work and rank with the leading building contractors of the city. They own a large tract of land, on which they have their offices and equipment, and many examples of their skill and handiwork are to be found in Toledo. Their reputation has spread beyond the limits of the city and they have been awarded important contracts in various parts of the country. They have about one hundred employes and their business is a large and rapidly growing one.

On the 23d of May, 1911, Mr. Hillebrand was married to Miss Mary A. Werle, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Werle of Toledo, and they have become the parents of four children: Helen, who was born June 27, 1912, and is attending St. Patrick's parochial school of this city; Lucille, who was born September 14, 1913, and is also a pupil at that school; William, born April 14, 1917; and Leonard, born June 27, 1919. Mr. and Mrs. Hillebrand are communicants of the Roman Catholic church and he is a member of the Knights of Columbus, in which he has taken the third degree. He is also identified with the Builders Exchange, the Commerce Club and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, while his political allegiance is given to the republican party. Mr. Hillebrand is a self-made man who has been both the architect and builder of his own fortune, and the methods which he has used have at all times balanced up with the principles of honor and integrity. He occupies a position of leadership in the field in which he is operating, and his work, which is of high character and uniform excellence, is a credit to the city and a feature in its substantial improvement. Mr. Hillebrand's residence is at No. 427 Belmont avenue.

F. M. FULLER

F. M. Fuller of The Pomeroy-Fuller Company, is one of Toledo's prominent realtors. He was born in Meadville, Pennsylvania, October 19, 1879, a son of A. M. and Elizabeth (Magaw) Fuller, the former a native of Little Falls, New York, and the latter of Meadville, Pennsylvania. They are now residing in the Keystone state and the father is a successful financier.

In the acquirement of an education F. M. Fuller attended the public schools of Meadville, Pennsylvania, and Worcester Academy of Massachusetts, afterward entering the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in 1901. In 1912 he came to Toledo and in 1913 joined Mr. Geo. E. Pomeroy, when he turned his attention to the real estate and insurance business, with which he has since been prominently identified.

The Pomeroy-Fuller Company is the oldest real estate and insurance firm in Toledo and enjoys a reputation for straightforward business methods and general commercial integrity not surpassed by any of its contemporaries. Mr. Fuller has made a close study of the business, to which he gives his undivided attention, and his cooperation has been a valuable asset in the attainment of the success which has attended the activities of the company.

In New York city, on the 29th of December, 1909, Mr. Fuller married Miss Marjorie Carolin, a daughter of William V. and Louise (Mott) Carolin, a granddaughter of Valentine Mott, the famous surgeon of that city, and they have become the parents of two children: Edward Holcomb, whose birth occurred at Meadville,

Pennsylvania, in 1911; and Elizabeth Dauton, who was born in this city in 1913. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller are affiliated with the Trinity Episcopal church. He is a republican in his political views and is a charter member of the Kiwanis Club and is also connected with the Commerce Club and the Transportation Club. He has led an active and useful life, employing every opportunity to advance, and his present success is largely attributable to his close application and devotion to business. He has an intimate knowledge of realty values in this city, where his progressive spirit and business ability are recognized, as well as his high position among the leaders in his line of activity. Mr. Fuller's residence is at No. 2553 Robinwood avenue.

HARRY WAYNE MORGAN

Harry Wayne Morgan, a partner in the law firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, was born in Toledo, July 11, 1886. The public and high schools afforded him his preliminary educational opportunities and he afterward entered the University of Michigan as a law student in 1908, being there graduated with the class of 1910. During his college days he was associate editor of the Michigan Law Review and he won his Bachelor of Arts degree and also his J. D. degree from the University of Michigan. Following his graduation he entered upon general practice and was associated with the firm of King, Tracy, Chapman & Wells from 1910 until 1915. He was then alone in general practice until 1917, when he became associated with the firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, and in January, 1918, was made a member of the firm. He has since practiced in this connection, being a representative of one of the strongest law firms not only of Toledo and northwestern Ohio but of the state. He belongs to the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations.

On the 1st of July, 1911, Mr. Morgan was married to Miss Stella Stollberg of Toledo and they have become parents of three children: John Howard, Mary Elizabeth and Caroline Jeanette. In his fraternal relations Mr. Morgan is a Mason and he belongs also to the Toledo Club and the Toledo Country Club. He is likewise a member of the Chamber of Commerce and his interest centers in those channels through which flow the greatest and most permanent good to the greatest number, his progressive citizenship being one of the strong features in his career. His enviable record as a lawyer has been well earned and the progress that he has made in the past indicates that his future will be well worth watching.

THOMAS IGNATIUS WILSON

By the way of the printing trade and commercial pursuits Thomas Ignatius Wilson has at length arrived in the real estate field and since 1914 has been the president of the T. I. Wilson Company. Through the intervening period of eight years a business of substantial proportions has been developed and the real estate records show many important property transfers promoted by this corporation. Mr. Wilson is a native son of Toledo, born on the 28th of April, 1883, his parents

being Thomas and Elizabeth (Gilmartin) Wilson. The father was engaged in the trucking business, having come to Toledo in 1866.

The son, Thomas I. Wilson, was educated in St. Francis de Sales parochial school and early in life turned his attention to the newspaper business by becoming a printer's devil in a newspaper office, with which he was connected for six years, steadily working his way upward from his initial starting point. He afterward became a salesman with a paint company and again his course was marked by steady progress and advancement until he was made the district sales manager. Later he turned his attention to real estate operations and in 1914 organized the T. I. Wilson Company, the activities of which he has directed for the past eight years as its president. He is also a director of The Ten Associates Company, a real estate corporation of which he was one of the organizers. His name is a familiar one in realty circles throughout Toledo and the progressiveness of his methods is widely recognized, while his continued success also has its root in his close application, determined purpose and sound judgment.

On the 20th of June, 1914, Mr. Wilson was married to Miss Anna M. McCullen of Toledo and they had one daughter, Mary Elizabeth. The wife and mother passed away February 10, 1918, her death being deeply regretted by many friends. Mr. Wilson belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and has become a fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus. He is also connected with the Commerce Club, belongs to the Toledo Automobile Club and to the Art Museum. He favors all those agencies and projects which are looking to the upbuilding of the city and its advancement along material and cultural lines. For recreation he turns to outdoor sports, but the major part of his time and attention is concentrated upon his business and he ranks today among the leading realtors of his native city.

KATHERINE M. MAPES

Thoroughly trained along professional lines, Katherine M. Mapes is now occupying the very responsible position of superintendent of the Municipal Hospital at Toledo. She is a native of Bryan, Williams county, Ohio, and a daughter of Samuel R. and Sarah A. (Lingle) Mapes. She attended the public schools of her native town and after a few years at home following the completion of her educational course, she came to Toledo in 1898, having in the meantime determined to enter upon preparation for a career as nurse. She entered the Toledo Hospital Training School for Nurses and completed the regular two years' course by graduation with the class of 1900. Almost immediately afterward she was made supervisor of the operating room at the Toledo Hospital, where she remained for several years. Following this she was appointed superintendent of the Deaconess Hospital on Robinwood avenue, later called the Flower Hospital, and afterward returned to the Toledo Hospital, becoming supervisor of the operating room, with which she was thus associated for a year. She left that position in 1911 to become superintendent of the training school of the Toledo Hospital and did effective work in that connection for a period of five years. She next went to the City Hospital at Lima, Ohio, expecting to relieve the superintendent there for three months, but remained for ten months. With her return to Toledo she was given charge of the teaching center under the Red Cross and continued to act as supervisor of

teaching for two years during the World war, after which she went into service for four months at Camp Taylor, Kentucky.

Again coming to Toledo, Miss Mapes accepted the position of chief nurse at the Overland Hospital, where she remained for a year, after which she took a two years' rest, living at home with her mother. On the 1st of April, 1922, however, she again resumed professional duties and activities, being appointed superintendent of the Municipal Hospital by Mayor Brough. She brought to her present position a wealth of experience and broad knowledge and is rendering most effective service in this institution. She has been instrumental in introducing improved methods and the work of the hospital has been thoroughly systematized under her care.

Miss Mapes holds membership in the Epworth Methodist church and is also a valued member of the Toledo Woman's Club and a charter member of the Delphians. She is the honored president of District No. 9 of the Ohio State Graduate Nurses Association and she belongs to both the state and national nurses' associations. She is likewise a member of the National League of Nursing Education and is identified with the American Legion as a member of the Kuhlman Saygers Pollock Post, which was organized in honor of nurses from Toledo who served during the World war and died in the service. Miss Mapes holds to the highest standards of her profession and is most zealous and earnest in the performance of her duties. Her personal qualities are such as to inspire confidence and cooperation from her patients, as she adds cheeriness and a courageous disposition to splendid poise.

HARRY TALBIRD FOARD

Harry Talbird Foard, one of the leading restaurateurs of Toledo, has devoted practically his entire life to the business in which he is now engaged and his success is the direct outcome of broad experience, industry and ability. Mr. Foard is a native of the south. He was born at Henderson, Kentucky, April 15, 1870, a son of Moses D. and Sammie (Smith) Foard, the former a native of Virginia and the latter of Kentucky. As a youth the father removed to the Blue Grass state, in which his marriage occurred, and he later engaged in the hardware business, successfully conducting a large establishment of that character at Henderson, Kentucky, until the time of his demise. The mother has also passed away. In their family were five children: W. D. and Mattie, both of whom are living at Owenton, Kentucky; Clarence S., cashier for the Edison Company, of Chicago, Illinois; Jessie, deceased; and Harry T.

The public schools of his native town afforded Harry Talbird Foard his educational opportunities and during the administration of President Cleveland he served as assistant postmaster of Owenton, Kentucky. On the expiration of his term he came to Toledo, where he entered business circles, at first conducting the Madison Hotel, while later he became chief clerk of the St. Charles Hotel, which position he filled successfully for seven years. He then went to Chicago and became connected with the dining car service of the Pennsylvania and New York Central Railroad companies, with which he was identified until 1916. Returning to Toledo, he opened the Waldorf Cafeteria in the Waldorf Hotel and his marked success in that venture led him to establish another cafeteria, his second location being at No. 239 Superior

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street. He is president of Foard's Cafeteria, and is operating two of the largest, best conducted and most widely patronized eating places in the city. His cafeterias have become popular with those of discriminating taste who prefer food of highest quality, prepared in a most appetizing form, and the standard of service is unexcelled. Mr. Foard has an economic knowledge of food values and in the control of his business he displays sound judgment, foresight and marked executive ability. Until 1922 he was president and one of the directors of the Waldorf Catering Company and he is now serving as first vice president and a director of the Ohio State Restaurant Men's Association.

On the 27th of December, 1898, Mr. Foard was united in marriage to Miss Sara Davies, who ably assists her husband in the management of the business. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Davies, are members of one of Toledo's most prominent families. Mr. Foard is a Knights Templar Mason and Noble of the Mystic Shrine and he is also a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Exchange Club. He is a self-made man whose career has been marked by steady advancement, due to his close study of the business to which he has turned his attention and his unquestioned integrity and reliability, and his influence is one of broadening activity and strength in the field in which he is operating, while his personal qualities are such as make for warm and enduring friendship.

IRA O. DENMAN, M. D.

Dr. Ira O. Denman, a prominent physician and surgeon of Toledo, maintaining his offices in the Ohio building, has here followed his profession continuously and successfully during the past fifteen years and has made a specialty of the treatment of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. His birth occurred at Leanna, Kansas, on the 9th of June, 1873, his parents being Francis M. and Lydia (Harding) Denman, both natives of Indiana. The father enlisted for service in the Civil war, joining the Ninety-seventh Illinois Volunteer Regiment, and was commissioned a captain. He participated in many notable engagements but was never wounded and after receiving his discharge he went to Kansas, where he took up a soldier's claim, on which he engaged in the raising of cattle, while later he developed a large nursery. Subsequently he removed to Charleston, Illinois, but afterward went to California, hoping that a milder climate might restore his health, and his demise occurred in the Golden state in 1905. The mother had passed away at Charleston, Illinois, in 1900. Of the children born to their union two are living: George A. and Ira O., of this review.

Ira O. Denman supplemented his preliminary education by a course of study in the Allen County Normal School at Iola, Kansas, while his professional training was received in the Hahnemann Medical College of Chicago, from which he was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1897. Since then he has pursued postgraduate work in the Chicago Post Graduate Medical College, the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, Harvard Medical College and in the universities of Vienna and Freiberg, as well as in Morfield's Hospital of London, England, thus constantly augmenting his professional skill and ability. He first opened an office for the general practice of medicine and surgery at Charleston, Illinois, where he continued until the close of the year 1907, devoting considerable attention to diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. In January, 1908, he came to

Toledo, where he has remained since and where his practice has been limited to ophthalmology, otology, rhinology and laryngology, in which branch of the profession he has become widely recognized as a specialist of pronounced power and efficiency. He served as chief of staff of the Toledo Hospital for two years, or from 1913 until 1915, and is oculist for the Pennsylvania Railroad, the Detroit & Toledo Shore Line Railroad and the Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railway. While a resident of Charleston, Illinois, he acted as chairman of the board of health from 1903 until 1907. He has membership connections with the American Institute of Homeopathy, the Illinois State Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the Northwestern Ohio Medical Society, of which he was at one time president, the Toledo Medical Society and the American Ophthalmological, Otological and Laryngological Association, of which he has been secretary and also president, serving in the latter capacity in 1918 and 1919. He is likewise identified with the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Oto-Laryngology, and has been elected to the American College of Surgeons. Dr. Denman originated technique and designed a chair for tonsillectomy under nitrous oxide and oxygen gas anesthesia, the patient in the forward inclined sitting posture. He has been frequently invited to demonstrate his original method and in 1920 appeared and operated before the American College of Surgeons at Montreal, subsequently before the American Ophthalmological and Oto-Laryngological Society in New York, the combined meeting at Columbus, Ohio, in 1922, of The Interstate Society of Anesthesists and National Research Society of Anesthesia and later San Francisco before the surgical section of the American Medical Association.

On the 14th of September, 1893, Dr. Denman was united in marriage to Miss Sabra Blair of Leanna, Kansas, and they reside at No. 2562 Parkwood avenue in Toledo, where they have gained an extensive circle of warm friends. The Doctor gives his political allegiance to the republican party. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Christian (Disciples) church. He also belongs to the Toledo Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Toledo Commerce Club and the Inverness Golf Club of this city and likewise holds membership in the Unanimous Club of New York. His life has been actuated by a progressive spirit that has brought him steadily to the front in professional connections and it has ever been his purpose to make his services of the greatest possible benefit to his fellowmen.

ARNOLD JOHN MACHEN

Arnold John Machen, president of The Arnold J. Machen Company, is one of Toledo's well known and successful realtors. While not yet a man of middle age Mr. Machen's life has been a busy one and includes an identification with banking interests and more than ten years with the real estate business. He was born in Toledo, September 28, 1890, his parents being Alphonse and Adelaide D. (Conlisk) Machen, the former a merchant of Toledo for many years.

Arnold John Machen acquired his education in the public schools, and after completing his high school work, he entered on his business career. He was first employed as a bank messenger in the Home Savings Bank, where his fidelity and capability won him promotion until he was made manager of the bookkeeping, transit and clearing department of that institution. He was thus engaged until

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1911, when he turned his attention to the real estate field, becoming associated with The E. H. Close Realty Company, and four years later he was made the assistant treasurer of the George B. Ricaby Company, one of the foremost concerns in the real estate field of Toledo. In 1921 he was elected vice president of that company and took a prominent part in its management, until October 25, 1922, when he severed his connection to organize The Arnold J. Machen Company, for the conduct of a general real estate business on conservative lines. The officials of the company are: Mr. Machen, president; Vernon C. Vogel, vice president and secretary; and Paul E. Decker, vice president and treasurer, representing one of the strongest organizations in the real estate business in Toledo. Mr. Machen is devoting his efforts to administrative direction and executive control, and his success is well merited. His vision is broad and his judgment sound in relation to those matters which claim the attention and demand the energies of the successful real estate man. During his connection of more than a decade with the real estate business in Toledo, Mr. Machen has acquired a very intimate knowledge of realty values on which his judgment is most dependable. He enjoys athletic sports and in these finds needed recreation from the arduous cares of business life.

COLONEL GEORGE PARTRIDGE GREENHALGH

Colonel George Patridge Greenhalgh, president of the Toledo Automatic Brush Machine Company and vice president and treasurer of The Kent-Owens Machine Company, engaged in the manufacture of automatic machinery, was born at St. Louis, Missouri, March 19, 1878, a son of William L. and Harriet M. Greenhalgh. He was educated in the public schools of Jacksonville, Illinois, and Lafayette, Indiana, before entering Yale University in 1897. There he was graduated in 1901 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and in the fall of the same year he matriculated in the Harvard Law School, in which he completed his course in 1905. Locating at Toledo, he was admitted to the Ohio bar the following year and for a time practiced law in the office of Hamilton & Kirby and later of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, and of Smith & Beckwith. He served as assistant prosecuting attorney of Lucas county under Holland Webster from 1910 until 1913, when he resigned his official position to engage in the private practice of law and was associated with Clifford Whitmore until the summer of 1916, when as captain of Troop D, First Ohio Cavalry, Mr. Greenhalgh was ordered into federal service on the Mexican border, from which he returned in March, 1917.

In May of the same year Captain Greenhalgh was promoted to the rank of major of cavalry in the Ohio National Guard and in July, 1917, the First Ohio Cavalry having been converted into the Second and Third Regiments of Field Artillery, he was made lieutenant colonel of the Second Ohio Field Artillery and was mustered into federal service. This regiment afterward became the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Field Artillery of the Sixty-second Field Artillery Brigade of the Thirty-seventh Division. He trained with the Thirty-seventh Division at Camp Sheridan, Montgomery, Alabama, and was graduated from the first class at the Fort Sill School of Fire on the 20th of December, 1917. He then returned to command the regiment and organize a Brigade School of Instruction. Early in June, 1918, he was ordered to the port of embarkation at Hoboken, New Jersey, as liaison officer of the Thirty-seventh Division. He sailed as com-

manding officer of the troops aboard the Steamship Hororata on the 28th of June, 1918, arrived at Liverpool on the 15th of July and later crossed the channel, debarking at Havre, France, July 19, 1918. He was trained at the French Artillery School of Instruction at Camp DeSouge near Bordeaux, France, and left for the front on the 24th of September. He was in reserve in the Meuse-Argonne with the Ninety-second division and was afterward transferred to the American front at Mousson, still supporting the Ninety-second Division. Later he was transferred to the Troyon section of the American front and saw action behind the Thirty-third and Twenty-eighth divisions of the second army. His regiment was supporting the Thirty-third Division at the time the armistice was signed, following which the regiment was withdrawn to Pierrefitte, France, and on the 4th of February, 1919, was ordered to the LeMans area at Segre, France. On the 6th of March he arrived at Brest and six days later sailed, reaching Newport News on the 24th of March. He received his discharge at Camp Sherman, April 10, 1919.

When mustered out Colonel Greenhalgh resumed the private practice of law and on the 8th of October, 1920, he was appointed safety director of the city of Toledo. In February, 1922, he became connected with The Kent-Owens Machine Company, and in 1923 became treasurer of the corporation. In August, 1922, upon the organization of the Toledo Automotic Brush Company, for the manufacture of automatic brush machinery and brushes, Colonel Greenhalgh became president of the corporation.

In 1912 Colonel Greenhalgh was married to Miss Marie Walbridge of Toledo, daughter of William S. and Alice L. (Libbey) Walbridge, and they are well known in the best social circles of the city. They have one son, George Partridge Greenhalgh, Jr. Colonel Greenhalgh's residence—"Needmoor"—is at Perrysburg, Ohio.

THAD POGGEMEYER

Thad Poggemeyer, a native son of Toledo and one of its self-made men, has made the clothing business the ladder by which he has climbed to success and for fifteen years has conducted his present establishment. He was born in this city, December 21, 1870, of the marriage of Henry W. and Louise (Frese) Poggemeyer, the former of European birth, while the latter was born near Woodville, Ohio. The father came to the United States in the early '60s, settling in Toledo, where he entered the grocery business, and he continud to make his home in the city until 1876. He then disposed of his business and removed to Graytown, Ohio, where he also opened a grocery store, which he successfully operated until his death in 1882. The mother is still living and now resides at Tecumseh, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Poggemeyer were the parents of four children, three of whom survive: Mrs. Gene Varick of Tecumseh; Mrs. W. R. Bickford, whose home is at Helena, Arkansas; and Thad.

Thad Poggemeyer acquired his education in the public schools of Graytown, Ohio. Coming to Toledo, he secured a position with A. J. Machen, dry goods, whose place of business was located at the corner of St. Clair and Logan streets, but left his service soon afterward and entered the employ of the clothing firm of John Mockett & Company, with which he was connected for six months in the capacity of delivery boy. He then obtained a position with the clothing house of

James Melvin & Company, with which he was identified for twenty years and five months, working his way through each department of the business and gaining a comprehensive understanding of the trade. In 1908 his initiative spirit prompted him to embark in an independent venture and he opened a clothing establishment, handling only men's wearing apparel. The undertaking has kept pace with the development of the city and on the 1st of August, 1921, the business was incorporated, the present style of the Poggemeyer-Nichols Clothing Company being then adopted. Mr. Poggemeyer has since been president of the firm and success has attended his efforts because he has always maintained high standards in the conduct of his business, never misrepresenting his goods and giving to patrons full value for the amount expended. The company also carries a high grade of men's furnishings and headwear, and is one of the leading clothing establishments in the city.

On June 30, 1917, was solemnized the marriage of Thad Poggemeyer and Miss Lurline Ogle of this city, a daughter of Dr. James H. Ogle, a prominent physician formerly of Wauseon, Ohio. Mr. Poggemeyer is a republican in his political views and he has membership relations with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Maumee River Yacht Club. He stands high in Masonry and is a past master of the blue lodge. He is identified with both the York and Scottish rites and in the consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. From early boyhood his life has been one of unremitting industry, and ability and perseverance have carried him steadily forward until he now ranks with Toledo's leading merchants. He has won the confidence and respect of many friends and has fairly earned the success which has come to him in recent years.

C. SCOTT ROWLEY

C. Scott Rowley, one of the foremost members of the Toledo bar, has become widely and favorably known in legal circles throughout the country as an author and instructor and is a representative of that higher type of the profession who recognize the relation of the law to the grave civic and political problems of the nation, and therefore direct their reading and thought along those lines which affect the general interests of society and promote the welfare of the country at large. He was born at North Fairfield, in Huron county, Ohio, September 6, 1878, and his parents were Charles and Elizabeth (Stevens) Rowley, both of whom were natives of New York state. They came to Ohio in early life, the mother arriving in this state when but eight years of age, and here she was married. The father first devoted his attention to merchandising but later became interested in financial affairs, establishing a bank at North Fairfield, of which he served as president until his demise. The mother has also passed away. To Mr. and Mrs. Rowley were born five children, four of whom survive, namely: Edward F., a prominent banker of Toledo; Arthur E., a resident of Norwalk, Ohio; L. A., a successful attorney of this city; and C. Scott.

In the acquirement of an education C. Scott Rowley attended the public schools of North Fairfield, Ohio, afterward becoming a student at Hiram College, from which he was graduated in 1900, winning the Litt. B. degree. He then entered the Cleveland Law School, which in 1902 conferred upon him the degree of LL. B., and in that year began practice at Norwalk, Ohio, where he remained until 1906. Coming to this city, he established the Toledo Law School, now known as the Y. M. C. A.

Law School, of which he became dean, and continued at its head until 1913. In 1916 he was called to the University of Colorado at Boulder as professor of law. He afterward became a member of the faculty of the University of Indiana, filling a chair of law at that institution until September, 1919, and gaining recognition as an able instructor. In 1918 he enlisted in the army, and was in camp at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, until shortly before the signing of the armistice. In 1920 he was made law director of Toledo under the Shrieber administration and he now holds the consularship for Peru, South America, at Toledo. As an author he has made valuable contribution to the legal profession, publishing a two-volume work on "The Law of Partnership," in 1916, and in recognition of his superior intellectual attainments the University of Toledo conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws in 1918. He is associated in practice with his brother, L. A. Rowley, and they have built upon an extensive and representative clientele.

On the 14th of December, 1904, Mr. Rowley married Miss Bertha King, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph R. King, then prominent residents of Norwalk, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Rowley have one daughter, Helen, who was born in that city in 1905 and is now a student at the Scott high school of Toledo. Mr. Rowley is a member of the Central Christian church and is also a member of Phi Delta Phi, a college fraternity, the Toledo Post of the American Legion and the Toledo Commerce Club. Mr. Rowley is independent in his political views and in 1911 he served as campaign manager for Brand Whitlock, the noted municipal reformer, author and diplomat, who in 1913 was appointed by President Wilson as United States minister to Belgium, in which connection he won an international reputation for tact, zeal and efficiency. His well-rounded character, finely balanced mind and comprehensive knowledge of the law have gained for Mr. Rowley a position of leadership in his profession and his name is inscribed high on the keystone of the legal arch of the state.

VINCENT H. HARRIS

Vincent H. Harris, a native son of Toledo and a member of one of the well known and highly respected families of the city, is prominently connected with commercial interests, being treasurer of the Tillotson Manufacturing Company, one of the large productive industries of the Maumee valley, and the fact that he has been chosen to fill this important office is proof of his business ability, enterprise and thorough reliability. He was born in this city, November 1, 1888, of the marriage of Frank H. and Marian (Mooney) Harris, the former a native of Bellefontaine, Ohio, and the latter of Lucas county, this state. In early life the father came to Toledo and later established the Harris Toy Company, of which he was made president, serving in that capacity until a few years ago, since which time he has lived retired. Through judicious management and untiring industry he built up an enterprise of large proportions and became recognized as one of the leading business men of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Harris have become the parents of three children: Mrs. Ruth Boyer, a resident of Detroit, Michigan; and Mildred and Vincent H., who are living in Toledo. All are natives of this city.

After completing his public school course Vincent H. Harris took up the study of music, to which he applied himself diligently, becoming an accomplished player on the flute and piccolo. He toured the country with musical organizations

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and in 1909, while employed in the accounting department of the Willys-Overland Company, he joined the Overland Company's band, of which he was a member for several seasons. When the Tillotson Manufacturing Company was organized Mr. Harris was made treasurer in 1917, which office he has since capably filled, and his cooperation is regarded as a valuable asset in promoting the success of the undertaking. The firm manufactures carburetors for the Overland, Durant and other well known automobiles and has a large, modern and well equipped plant, in which from two hundred and fifty to three hundred men are employed, all of whom are skilled mechanics. There is a large demand for their output and the business is developing rapidly, owing to the well-directed efforts of the men at its head.

On the 22d of March, 1910, Mr. Harris was married to Miss Edna Jackman, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jackman of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Harris have a son, Franklin H., who was born in 1915. Mr. Harris is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and his political support is given to the republican party. His public spirit is indicated by his identification with the Chamber of Commerce and he is also a member of the Lions Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Fort Industry Lodge, of which he is a charter member. He is yet a young man, but his enterprise and ability have enabled him to accomplish much, and his personal qualities are such that he has gained the warm friendship of those who know him.

JUSTIN M. DONNELLY, M. D.

Dr. Justin M. Donnelly, one of the younger representatives of Toledo's medical fraternity, possesses those qualities through which success comes as a natural sequence and in the field of professional service he is making rapid progress. He was born at Napoleon, Ohio, June 7, 1894, and his parents, Michael and Mary (McGurk) Donnelly, were also natives of this state. The father was a prominent attorney of Napoleon and there engaged in practice for many years, building up a large clientele. His death occurred at that place in 1915 and the mother passed away in 1914. To their union were born four children: Cyril and Justin M., of this city; and Gerald and Edwin, who still reside at Napoleon.

Justin M. Donnelly attended the grammar and high schools of his native town and in 1911 he completed a course in St. John's College of Toledo. He next became a student at the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1915, and then entered Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, which conferred upon him the M. D. degree in 1918. The ensuing year was spent as an interne at St. Vincent's Hospital of Toledo and in 1919 he opened an office at No. 317 Huron street in this city, beginning his professional career with exceptionally thorough training. He has a comprehensive understanding of the scientific principles underlying his work and is correct in the application of his knowledge to the needs of his patients. He engages in the general practice of medicine and surgery and is a member of the staff of Mercy Hospital.

On the 14th of September, 1920, Dr. Donnelly was married to Miss Mabel Derr of this city, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Derr, residents of Mansfield, Ohio, and to this union has been born one child, Marilyn, whose birth occurred on the 19th of November, 1921. Dr. Donnelly is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church, belonging to St. Agnes' parish. While attending college he was

connected with the hospital service of the Medical Reserve Corps and he keeps in touch with the advancement that is being made along professional lines through his membership in the Toledo Academy of Medicine, the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical societies and the American Medical Association. Dr. Donnelly is an energetic, progressive young man whose life is guided by high purposes and ideals, and industry, ability and tenacity of purpose, are bringing him to the front in his profession.

FREDERICK B. WILLARD

Frederick B. Willard, a well known lawyer of Toledo, was born on the 24th of March, 1870, in Monroe county, Michigan, a son of George and Fidelia (Doty) Willard. The father always followed agricultural pursuits.

Frederick B. Willard largely acquired his education in the public schools of Toledo. He afterward took up the study of law in the office of Doyle, Scott & Lewis of this city and was admitted to the bar in 1906. For eight years thereafter he remained with the firm of Doyle, Scott & Lewis and then began practice independently. Mr. Willard has achieved success in his professional activities and is numbered among the strong and able members of the Toledo bar.

On the 11th of October, 1911, Mr. Willard was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Leflet, a native of Arkansas, and they have become parents of two children: Bruce K., born February 24, 1914, in Toledo; and Helen.

Mr. Willard belongs to the Masonic fraternity. He has attained the Knights Templar degree in the York Rite, the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite and is also a member of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the First Baptist church and throughout his life has been interested in those forces which make for righteousness, improvement and progress. Politically he is a republican and for a number of years has been an active worker in party ranks. In 1920 he was a candidate at the primaries for congress and was defeated by only one hundred and three votes, although Toledo has long been recognized as a democratic stronghold. Along strictly professional lines he has connection with the Toledo Lawyers Club, and the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. Mr. Willard's residence is at Point place.

ROBERT LINCOLN WITTERS

Robert Lincoln Witters is the president of the Toledo Plaster & Supply Company and is also connected with other business interests of importance in this city. He has made steady progress since starting out in the business world on his own account, depending upon his labors from an early age. He was born in Greentown, Ohio, March 4, 1884, his parents being Samuel D. and Charlotte (Stauffer) Witters, the former a shoemaker by trade. The son obtained a public school education and then took up the study of stenography, which he afterward used as a means of livelihood for a period of seven years. Later he spent three years as a salesman and gained further business knowledge and experience, so that he was qualified to accept the position of manager of the Toledo Pulp Plaster

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Company, which was tendered him in 1912. Later the firm name was changed to The Toledo Plaster & Supply Company. In the meantime Mr. Witters had worked his way upward to the presidency of the old company and has continued as the chief executive of the enterprise since the present firm style was assumed. He is thoroughly acquainted with every phase of the business and the wisdom of his direction is shown in the continued success of the undertaking. Mr. Witters is also the president of the Detroit Fire Brick Company and in commercial and industrial matters his judgment is particularly sound and his discrimination keen.

The 11th of July, 1907, was the day on which was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Witters and Miss Pauline Hemley of Toledo, and they have a son, Robert Gordon, born in Toledo, August 1, 1911. The parents are members of the Christian Science church and Mr. Witters' interest in community affairs is shown in his service as a trustee of the Janes-Franklin school and in his support of many plans and projects for the public good. He belongs likewise to the Inverness and Toledo Clubs and by reason of a social nature, genial disposition and unfeigned cordiality he is very popular with his fellow members of these organizations.

GEORGE C. PICKARD

George C. Pickard, who was long engaged in the bakery business in Toledo and since August, 1920, has been owner of the Wagner mill, was born in Monroe county, Michigan, January 29, 1861, and is a son of William and Sarah (Smith) Pickard. The father was born in Leeds, England, and came to America in 1837, making his way to Monroe county, Michigan, where he engaged in farming for many years. He married Sarah Smith, a native of that county, and both are deceased. In their family were eleven children, eight of whom are living.

George C. Pickard, who was the second in order of birth, attended the country schools near his father's farm and afterward worked on the old homestead, early becoming familiar with the best methods of tilling the soil and caring for the crops. He was thus employed until he reached his twenty-first year, when he began farming on his own account, purchasing a tract of land in his native county, where he successfully devoted his attention to the cultivation of the fields for five years. He then removed to Ohio and made purchase of a farm of one hundred and sixty acres in Lucas county, which he still owns and which he successfully conducted for many years. After leaving that place he conducted a dairy farm for a time and then removed to Toledo, where he purchased the business of the Maumee Valley Baking Company. For twenty years thereafter he was active along that line but at the end of two decades retired from the baking business, although he still owns the property which he occupied and which is now very valuable. Later he purchased the Wagner mill, acquiring this property in August, 1920, and he is still operating the mill, which already he has developed into a profitable business and one which is steadily growing.

On the 14th of March, 1883, Mr. Pickard was united in marriage to Miss Minnie L. Reecamper of Lucas county, a daughter of John F. and Angeline Reecamper. Mr. Pickard is a republican where national questions and issues are involved but at local elections casts an independent ballot. His identification with fraternal orders covers the York Rite bodies of Masonry, for he has become a

Knight Templar. He also belongs to the East Side Commercial Club and his interests have always had to do with public progress and improvement as well as the attainment of success through well directed business activities. Whatever he has undertaken he has capably managed and directed and his indefatigable energy and industry that never flags, have brought him to a creditable place among the substantial and prosperous business men of Toledo.

TOLEDO CLUB

This is the chief exclusively social club for men, comprising a membership at this time of more than eight hundred. It was regularly organized in 1889, but its inception runs back to a much earlier date, when a little group of men headed by Mr. David R. Locke, known in literature as "Petroleum V. Nasby," formed the Draconian Club, which took quarters on Superior street, back of the building where the Toledo Blade now has quarters. The group was extended as time went on, but it remained merely a group of congenial spirits, who occupied the building until there was sufficient demand for club facilities to warrant more pretentious plans. The southeast corner of Madison and Huron streets was purchased, upon which a new home was erected, of Superior sandstone. This building was occupied by the new organization, "The Toledo Club." The officers for 1889 were: J. B. Ketcham, (II), president; W. N. Conant, vice president; Dean V. R. Manley, treasurer, and W. L. Hoyt, secretary.

For all of the years since, the Club has had a large part in the social affairs of Toledo, and it has grown with the city. About 1919, the facilities of the old building being inadequate for the demands of a first class club. A new site was purchased at the southwest corner of Madison and Fourteenth streets, and upon it was erected one of the most complete clubs in the country. It has spacious public rooms, furnished with unusual taste, and on an upper floor a large number of rooms for the accommodation of resident guests.

JAMES ALFERD KIRKBY

James Alferd Kirkby, actively identified with the manufacturing and commercial interests of Toledo as the vice president and secretary of the Coghlin-Kirkby Machinery & Supply Company, was born in Toledo, September 29, 1879, a son of Richard and Emma Olive (Johns) Kirkby. The father was a passenger conductor on the railroad and is now active.

James A. Kirkby pursued his public school education until he had completed the high school course, after which he started out in the business world as a clerk in a heavy hardware establishment, being thus employed from 1899 until 1911, during which period he became thoroughly familiar with every phase of the business and gained valuable experience in the commercial world, so that he was well qualified to take up business on his own account when in 1911 he became one of the organizers of the Coghlin-Kirkby Machinery & Supply Company. Through the intervening period of eleven years he has been active in the management, control and development of the business and as vice president and secretary of the

company he has bent his energies to administrative direction and executive control. From the beginning the enterprise has prospered and its trade relations are now extensive and important. Mr. Kirkby is also one of the directors of the Grid-Iron Grip Wheel Company.

In Toledo, on the 3d of June, 1903, Mr. Kirkby was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Elizabeth Felt and they have become parents of a son and a daughter, Frederick Richard and Ann Ruth. Mr. and Mrs. Kirkby are members of St. Mark's Episcopal church and manifest a helpful interest in those forces which make for the uplift of the individual and the betterment of the community at large. Mr. Kirkby is a thirty-second degree Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine and he also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, to the Rotary Club, to the Toledo Yacht Club, the Sylvania Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and is likewise identified with the Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Art Museum. It will thus be seen that his interests and activities have always been directed in those channels through which flows the greatest good to the greatest number. While he has never sought to figure prominently in public life nor to become a public official, he has nevertheless been mindful at all times of his duties and obligations to the general welfare and has lent the weight of his aid and influence to many projects which are of decided value in advancing the material growth, the cultural development and the moral progress of the city.

FRANK MONROE PEABODY

With industry and determination as dominant qualities, Frank Monroe Peabody has made steady progress in the business world and he is now serving as president of the Ohio Plumbers' Supply Company, one of the most successful commercial enterprises in Toledo, which is the outcome of his well devised plans and initiative spirit. He was born in Wellington, Ohio, January 6, 1876, a son of Eli and Sarone (Lang) Peabody, the former a native of Elmira, New York, and the latter of Oberlin, Ohio. In early life the father came to Ohio, where he devoted his attention to the cultivation of the soil, successfully conducting his farming interests for a number of years. Having accumulated a substantial competence, he spent his later years in retirement in Toledo and passed away in this city in 1907, while the mother's demise occurred in 1910. Their family numbered three children: Albion, Mrs. Sarone Roemer and Frank M., all of whom are residents of this city.

After completing his public school course Frank Monroe Peabody secured a clerical position in Lamson Brothers' department store in Toledo, and later was employed by the J. L. Hudson Company of Toledo, with which he was connected for three years, when he secured work in the factory of the Eggman & Dugan Company, trunk manufacturers. At the end of a year he tendered his resignation to accept a position in the office of the Rayl Light Company of Toledo and remained with that firm for nine years. He then decided to embark in business independently and going to Monroe, Michigan, he established a crushed stone works, which he successfully conducted for nine years and then sold. He next organized the Ohio Plumbers' Supply Company, of which he is the president, and since its inception the undertaking has enjoyed a rapid growth, owing to his untiring efforts and capable management, and from twenty to twenty-five people are now employed

in operating the business. The firm handles plumbing and heating supplies selling only to the wholesale trade, and the business is one of large proportions.

Mr. Peabody has been married twice, his second union being with Miss Myrtle Heckman, whom he wedded at Monroe, Michigan, July 12, 1907. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heckman, well known residents of that place. By his first marriage Mr. Peabody has a daughter, Francis Mae, who was born in Toledo in 1901 and was educated in the grammar and high schools of the city.

In his political views Mr. Peabody is a republican and he is prominent in Masonry, having become a member of the commandery, while in the consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. He is also connected with the Rotary Club and the Toledo Commerce Club and is enthusiastic in his support of the city and its opportunities. He also belongs to the Monroe Club of Monroe, Michigan. His residence is at No. 2738 Glenwood avenue. His life record is one which commands uniform respect and confidence, for he is numbered among those men whose advancement has its root in industry, perseverance and unfaltering determination. He received no financial assistance when he started out in the world but has worked his way upward through merit and ability and his labors have found expression in the development of a large mercantile concern, which is not only a source of individual profit but also a factor in the commercial upbuilding of the city.

CHARLES HENRY CARROLL

Becoming a resident of Toledo when a lad of eleven years, Charles Henry Carroll has for an extended period been identified with the commercial interests and development of this city and now figures prominently in business circles, being the secretary and treasurer of the Shaw-Kendall Engineering Company, while with other corporate interests he is closely and helpfully identified. A native son of Ohio, he was born in Napoleon on the 21st of July, 1872, his parents being Thomas R. and Godie A. (Cary) Carroll, both natives of Napoleon, Ohio. He acquired a public school education, which was begun in his native town and continued after his removal to Toledo when he was a lad of eleven years. A little later, however, he put aside his textbooks and soon entered the employ successively of J. R. McGlone, Lawton & Bartelle and Clark & Terhune, all lumber companies. He remained with Clark & Terhune until 1891, and then became associated with the firm of Shaw, Kendall & Company and remained with that corporation until 1896, when the concern was absorbed by the National Supply Company. Mr. Carroll was identified with the latter until 1904, as cashier, when he was elected treasurer of the Toledo Pipe Threading & Machine Company, occupying that position until 1914, when he again went with his old company after it had been separated from the National Supply Company. It is now operating under the name of the Shaw-Kendall Engineering Company, of which Mr. Carroll is the secretary and treasurer. Starting out in the business world when a lad in his teens, with resolute purpose and actuated by a laudable ambition, he has steadily worked his way upward and each forward step in his career has brought him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. He early recognized the fact that diligence and industry are the basis of all honorable success and upon those qualities as a foundation he has builded the superstructure of his prosperity. He has long been accounted one of the representative business men of

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Toledo and aside from his connection with the Shaw-Kendall Engineering Company he has extended his efforts into other fields, being now president of the Ottawa Park Realty Company, also of the Parkside Realty Company and of the W. B. Welles Realty Company. He is thus figuring prominently in real estate circles and has comprehensive knowledge of the real estate market and property values. Through this means he has added materially to his annual income and at the same time he has been active in the development of an important business for the Shaw-Kendall Engineering Company.

On the 16th of March, 1893, Mr. Carroll was united in marriage to Miss Grace L. Shears of Detroit and they have one daughter, Miriam W. She married H. A. Knowlson, December 3, 1919, and they have a son, Charles Carroll Knowlson, born February 13, 1923. Mr. Knowlson is associated with the E. H. Close Realty Company.

Fraternally Mr. Carroll is a Mason, having attained the Knights Templar degree in the commandery, while he has also taken the Scottish Rite degrees. He is well known in club circles through his connection with the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Country Club, and he is an earnest supporter of the Chamber of Commerce. His religious faith is that of the Presbyterian church and throughout his life his course has been guided by high and honorable principles which have made him one of the esteemed citizens of Toledo, while his enterprise and progressiveness have given him high standing in business.

CHARLES EDWARD CHENEVERT

Since starting out in the business world Charles Edward Chenevert has been engaged in the exportation of lumber and since 1918 has carried on the business in Toledo. At different periods he has also figured prominently in political circles and has done not a little to mold public thought and action. A native son of Ohio, he was born in Defiance, December 16, 1872, and is a son of Charles John and Lillian Mary (Lindenberger) Chenevert. The father engaged in the exportation of ship timber and made large shipments from Toledo. He was a native of Canada but spent much of his life on this side of the border and was well known in the business circles of the Buckeye state.

Charles E. Chenevert supplemented his early education by study in the Kenyon Military Academy and later entered the Toronto University, from which he was graduated with the class of 1891. He afterward became associated with his father in the lumber export business and following the death of his father in 1892 he became sole proprietor of the business, which he has since carried on independently. In October, 1918, he removed to Toledo, where he has since operated, and from this point controls an extensive trade in lumber exportation. He is familiar with every phase of the business and has gained an extensive patronage, by reason of his progressive methods, his thorough reliability and his earnest desire to please his customers.

On the 28th of June, 1893, Mr. Chenevert was united in marriage to Miss Inez Garver of Bryan, Ohio, and they became the parents of two children: Lillian Doris, and John Welker, the latter connected with the Bell -Teipel Realty Company at Toledo. The wife and mother passed away July 28, 1917.

Mr. Chenevert is independent in his political faith. During his residence in De-

fiance, he served as mayor of the city for two years, while for four years he was a member of the city council, at all times exercising his official prerogatives in support of plans and measures for the general good. He was also a member of the school board for four years and during two years of that period served as its president. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He greatly enjoys golf, turning to the links for recreation, and he belongs to the Inverness Club and to the Toledo Club, as well as to the Commerce Club. His interests and activities are thus evident, but he allows nothing to interfere with the faithful performance of his business duties and his entire course has been marked by steady progress, so that today he occupies a high position in business circles.

NICHOLAS J. WALINSKI

Nicholas J. Walinski has been engaged in the general practice of law in Toledo since 1908 and has won a good clientage, while at the same time he has become identified with several corporate interests and has always found opportunity to cooperate in those plans and projects which are based upon an earnest effort to upbuild the community along lines of substantial development and improvement. Mr. Walinski is a native son of Ohio, born in Berea, on the 4th of September, 1884, his parents being Theodore and Josephine Walinski. He was educated in parochial schools, in the high school of his native city and in St. Ignatius College at Cleveland, Ohio, which he attended for two years. He next entered St. Mary's Seminary of Detroit, Michigan, and was graduated from that institution in 1905. He afterward took up the study of law, matriculating in the Cleveland Law School, and gained his LL. B. degree as a member of the class of 1908. Soon afterward he located in Toledo for general practice and has here successfully followed his profession throughout the intervening years, being now well established with a large clientele. He has also extended his efforts into other fields, being the president of the Opieka Savings Bank Company, also of the General Plumbing & Electric Company and the National Oil Purifier, and vice president and attorney of the Toledo Glove Manufacturing Company. He belongs to the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations and keeps in touch with the work of the profession in the effort to standardize legal service and advance the ethics of the profession.

On the 1st of June, 1910, Mr. Walinski was married to Miss Martha C. Zielinski, who passed away January 4, 1914, leaving two sons, Thaddeus N. and Eugene F. Later he wedded Helen Morkowski, who became his wife on the 29th of April, 1919, and one son, Nicholas J., Jr., has been born to them. As his name indicates, Mr. Walinski is of Polish lineage and during the World war he was president of the Polish Red Cross and also a director of the American Red Cross. In fact, his activities in behalf of the government covered a very wide scope and were signally beneficial and resultant. He was the secretary of the United States fuel commission at Toledo and a director of the war chest drive. He was also the vice chairman of the fair price commission and took a most helpful part in the home campaign and in many of the activities which constituted the support of the government during the memorable period of European strife. Mr. Walinski is also well known in club circles, having membership in the Toledo Commerce Club, in the Sylvania Golf Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and others. He belongs to the Polish Chamber of Commerce, to the Polish National Alliance, to the Falcons, to the Woodmen of

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the World, to the Art Museum and to the Northwestern Ohio Historical Society. He is likewise a director of the Americanization Board and few men have labored so earnestly and effectively to uphold American standards and ideals as this man who, an American by birth but of Polish descent, has always upheld most firmly the principles of liberty for which his ancestry fought and for which his native country has always stood. Mr. Walinski's residence is at No. 1263 Nebraska avenue.

CARL G. WACKE

Carl G. Wacke, secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Toledo Casket Company, has been a lifelong resident of Ohio, his birth having occurred in Edon, Williams county, September 10, 1880, his parents being the Rev. William and Christina (Deindoerfer) Wacke. The father was a minister of St. Peter's Lutheran church at Edon for a period of twenty-five years and in 1900 came to Toledo to accept the pastorate of the First St. John's Lutheran church on Seaman street.

The son, Carl G. Wacke, obtained his education in the parochial schools and in a business college of Toledo, thus qualifying for life's practical and responsible duties. He started out to provide for his own support as clerk in a general merchandise store and in 1903 he became identified with the Toledo Casket Company in the capacity of bookkeeper. He afterward went on the road as traveling salesman for the house and eventually he became one of the officials, being elected secretary and treasurer, while at the same time he is serving as general manager of the business. He is thoroughly familiar with every phase thereof and has been instrumental in building up the trade of the house to large proportions. The company enjoys an enviable reputation for thorough reliability and enterprise and Mr. Wacke has ever maintained the highest standards of trade in relation to patrons. He belongs to the National Casket Manufacturers Association of America.

On the 27th of September, 1916, Mr. Wacke wedded Miss Eloise Eggert of Toledo and their friends in the city are many. Mr. Wacke holds membership in the Lutheran church and also in the Young Men's Christian Association, with which he has been identified for a number of years. He is likewise a member of the Toledo Association of Credit Men and is an alert and progressive business man, a loyal and public-spirited citizen and one whose faithfulness to any cause which he espouses is widely recognized as one of his strongly marked characteristics. He is also a member of the Toledo Y's Men's Club. Mr. Wacke resides on Dartmouth drive.

L. ALCOTT ROWLEY

Since 1910 L. Alcott Rowley has engaged in the general practice of law in Toledo and the family name is a prominent and honored one in professional circles of the city. He was born in Huron county, Ohio, March 29, 1882, a son of Charles and Elizabeth (Stevens) Rowley, both natives of the state of New York. When eight years of age the mother was brought by her parents to Ohio and in this state her marriage occurred. The father was one of the foremost citizens in North Fairfield, Ohio, where he resided for many years, first conducting a mercantile es-

tablishment, while later he became the founder of a bank at Norwalk, this state, and in the management of his business interests he displayed marked capability and enterprise. The mother's demise occurred at Toledo in 1916. In their family were five children, four of whom are living: Edward, a successful banker of Toledo; Arthur E., whose home is at Norwalk, Ohio; C. Scott, one of the leading attorneys of this city; and L. A.

In the public schools of North Fairfield, Ohio, L. Alcott Rowley acquired his early education, afterward becoming a student at Hiram College, while later he entered the law department of Toledo University, from which he was graduated in 1910, being a member of the first class to win diplomas from that institution. He is now associated with his brother, C. Scott Rowley, in practice and they have been entrusted with important litigated interests, their clientele now being one of extensive proportions.

Mr. Rowley is independent in his political views, supporting the candidate whom he deems best qualified for office, regardless of party ties. He is a Royal Arch Mason and a member of the Toledo Bar Association.

JOHN SUMMERFIELD CROWTHER, JR.

John Summerfield Crowther, Jr., general superintendent of the Toledo Furnace Company, is a native of Maryland, born April 8, 1883, and is a son of J. S. and Gay (Page) Crowther, the former a farmer by occupation. The son prepared for college at the Boys Latin School in Baltimore, and matriculated at Lehigh University, where he pursued a course in mechanical engineering, being graduated with the class of 1906. He then entered the employ of the Maryland Steel Company at Sparrow's Point, Maryland, and remained with that corporation until 1911.

In May of the latter year Mr. Crowther located at Toledo, where he entered the employ of the Toledo Furnace Company as a laborer, in order to learn every phase of the business. From time to time he has been placed in positions of still larger responsibility and in June, 1920, he was made general superintendent, directing the actual operations of the plant.

On the 21st of September, 1915, Mr. Crowther was married to Miss Alice Malcolm of Toledo and they have become parents of two children: John Elton and John S. (III). Mr. Crowther is a member of the Toledo Club and the Rotary Club.

FRED T. JOHNSON

Fred T. Johnson, owner of the Johnson Greenhouses, constituting one of the large and important business enterprises of this kind in Toledo, was born October 9, 1869, in the city which is still his home. He is a son of Squire and Sophia (Miller) Johnson, the latter a native of Bangor, Michigan. The father, coming to this city, was a pioneer gardener here and was well known in the early days through his business connections.

Fred T. Johnson was educated in the Adams Township district school and in the Toledo high school, and starting out in business, he followed in the footsteps of his father and grandfather, who did market gardening and conducted greenhouses.

He began in 1892 with two small greenhouses and steadily developed the business, which has grown in volume and importance until he stands among the foremost in this line in Toledo. He rebuilt his greenhouses in 1910, placing an acre and a third under glass, and extensive additions which were made in 1922 brought two acres under glass. He has a splendid system and has thoroughly organized and developed the business until it is one of very extensive and gratifying proportions. He has also become the owner of considerable valuable real estate. At one time his grandfather and father owned all of the land where Calvary cemetery is now situated. There is no phase of the florist's business with which Fred T. Johnson is not familiar. He has been extremely successful in the growing of flowers and of garden products and whatever he produces is of the highest excellence. He is familiar with every scientific phase of his work as well as the practical side of the business and he is justly proud of what is accomplished in his greenhouses. He is now the vice president and a director of the Florists and Gardeners Insurance Company.

On the 29th of March, 1892, Mr. Johnson was united in marriage to Miss Ella E. Turley, a daughter of A. J. and Esther Turley, the former one of the old-time candy makers of Toledo, who conducted for many years a confectionery store at the corner of Huron and Monroe streets. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have become parents of one child, Squire Donald, who passed away October 30, 1904, at the age of eight years.

In his political views Mr. Johnson is a republican. He belongs to the Toledo Exchange Club and to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and along more strictly social lines is identified with the Toledo Yacht Club and the Toledo Automobile Club. He is today widely known in the city where his life has been passed and where his father and his grandfather were previously engaged in the line of business that now claims his attention. He has fully sustained the high reputation associated with the family name and has developed his business according to the steady growth of the city and the progressive spirit of the times.

CLINTON ALVAH MAUK

Clinton Alvah Mauk, president and manager of the C. A. Mauk Lumber Company, in which connection he is controlling a trade of substantial proportions, was born in Lima, Ohio, September 15, 1869, his parents being Alvah Washington and Winnifred (McMillen) Mauk. The father was a lumber manufacturer, devoting the major part of his life to that business, so that from early boyhood the son was more or less familiar with the trade. He was educated in the public schools and in the Normal University at Ada, Ohio, from which he was graduated with the class of 1887. When his textbooks were put aside he became the associate of his father in the lumber business and thus gained broad and valuable experience. From July, 1887, until January, 1889, he conducted a retail lumberyard at Spencerville, Ohio, and then, seeing a still broader field of business, he removed to Toledo, where in the latter year he established a yard that constituted the nucleus of his present business. In April, 1899, he entered into partnership with Charles I. Barnes, under the firm style of Barnes & Mauk, an association that was continuously maintained until 1911, when Mr. Mauk took over the business, which he has since conducted under the name of the C. A. Mauk Lumber Company. This business was incorporated in 1917, with Mr. Mauk as the president and manager. He is practically

the owner of the business and the knowledge that he has gained through long experience is proving of essential value to him in its successful conduct. He is also the president of the Toledo Lumber & Mill Work Company and he is regarded as an authority on all questions relating in any way to the lumber trade.

On the 15th of December, 1897, Mr. Mauk was united in marriage to Miss Mabel Burton Scrafford, a native of New York, and they have become parents of four children: Stanley Morris, who is a graduate of Dartmouth College, now associated with his father in business; John Scrafford, a student in Dartmouth College; Catherine Alvah, who is a student in Smith College; and Barnes Everett. The religious faith of the parents is indicated in their membership in the Trinity Episcopal church. Mr. Mauk is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, which indicates much concerning the nature of his interests as regards everything helpful and beneficial to the city. He belongs to the Old Colony Club, a national organization, and he has membership in the Toledo Club and the Inverness Club. He greatly enjoys a game of golf and finds much of his recreation on the links, but he spends the greater part of his time and attention in the management of his business affairs and is keenly alive to the possibilities of every new avenue opened in the natural ramifications of trade. He possesses a progressive spirit ruled by more than ordinary intelligence and good judgment and his native justice has ever expressed itself in correct principle and action. His residence is at No. 2154 Parkwood avenue.

HARRY L. HUTCHINSON

Harry L. Hutchinson, a member of the firm of Prudden & Company, is one of the best known men in investment security circles in Toledo. He was born in Peoria, Illinois, July 7, 1875, of the marriage of James A. and Alice M. (Rolf) Hutchinson, the former a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, and the latter of Peoria. When twenty years of age the father went to Illinois, locating at Peoria, where for many years he devoted his attention to the real estate business, and was very successful in his operations in that field. Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson became the parents of two children: William R., a resident of San Antonio, Texas; and Harry L.

The last named acquired his education in the public schools of his native city and in 1898, when a young man of twenty-three years, he came to Toledo as local representative of the wholesale drug house of Parke Davis & Company of Detroit, Michigan. For six years he successfully managed their interests in this city and then resigned to engage in the retail business, operating the Boody House drug store for four years. He next turned his attention to financial interests, becoming a bond salesman for Spitzer & Company for Chicago, with which he remained for four years, or until 1912, when he accepted the position of manager of the Chicago office of Hoehler & Cummings and for two years served in that capacity. In 1914 he returned to Toledo, becoming a partner in the firm of Prudden & Company, with which he has since been connected. They handle municipal bonds and other high grade investment securities and rank with the foremost houses of this character in the country. Mr. Hutchinson has made a close study of the investment security business and his long experience therein has been productive of a familiarity with high class securities that is of no small value to the extensive clientele he enjoys.

Mr. Hutchinson was married December 29, 1903, to Miss Alice M. Prudden, a

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daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Prudden, prominent residents of Lockport, New York, and they have two daughters: Prudence and Helen.

Mr. Hutchinson is a member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club and the Carranor Hunt & Polo Club. In politics he is a republican, but votes independently at local elections, placing the qualifications of a candidate above party ties. He gives his best efforts to anything that he undertakes and has ever been actuated by a spirit of determination which makes for honorable manhood and progressive citizenship. Mr. Hutchinson resides at Eagle Point Colony in the up-River Road section.

J. C. BOSTELMANN, JR.

It is a well recognized fact that the prestige enjoyed by a city rests largely upon its development along musical and artistic lines as upon its activity in the field of business and in the former connection John C. Bostelmann, Jr., is doing most important and valuable work as treasurer and managing director of the Toledo Institute of Musical Art, which ranks with the leading conservatories of the state. He was born in Elmira, New York, February 1, 1891, a son of John C. and Addie (Glover) Bostelmann, the former of European birth and the latter a native of Sag Harbor, New York. When a boy of eleven years the father came to the United States and afterward turned his attention to the study of law, becoming one of the leading attorneys of Corning, New York. He was called to the bench, being elected judge of the city court of Corning, over which he presided for many years, making an enviable record as a jurist. Of late years he has been connected with the legal department of the United States government, with headquarters in New York city, and he has gained a position of distinction in the ranks of his profession. The mother is also living and of their family of eight children, the following survive: Addie, Louis J., Cecelia, Ida and John C.

In the acquirement of an education J. C. Bostelmann, Jr., attended the Corning Free Academy, the Peekskill Military Academy and afterward studied law in New York University. He then became a student at the Institute of Musical Art in New York city, after which he had the benefit of training in other schools of music and also under private instructors. After completing his studies he was appointed director of the Corning Conservatory of Music and later acted as managing director of the combined music schools of Rochester, New York, with which he was associated until 1917, when he came to this city, accepting a similar position with the Toledo Conservatory of Music, after which he founded the Toledo Institute of Musical Art, with which he has since been identified as managing director. He is well qualified for the duties which devolve upon him and since assuming charge of the institute he has devoted every energy toward its development and expansion. His efforts have been rewarded with a gratifying measure of success and within a short space of time he has built up an institution second to none in the character and thoroughness of its instruction. It now has an annual enrollment of from two hundred and fifty to five hundred pupils and from both a financial and artistic standpoint is a credit to his ability. He was also supervisor of orchestration for the city schools but owing to the growing demands made upon his time by the Toledo Institute of Musical Art he discontinued his duties in that connection on the 1st of March, 1922, to devote all of his time to the development of the Toledo Institute of Musical Art.

At Corning, New York, on the 7th of June, 1915, Mr. Bostelmann was married to Miss Sophie Pratt, a daughter of Congressman Harry H. Pratt, and they have three children: Sophie Pratt, who was born in Corning in 1916 and is attending the Fulton school; Clara Spencer, whose birth occurred in Toledo in 1919; and Adeline Glover, who was born in this city in 1921. Mr. Bostelmann is a member of the First Congregational church of Toledo and has charge of its music. He votes the republican ticket when national questions are involved but at local elections supports the candidate whom he regards as best qualified for office without considering party ties. His work has been a potent factor in promoting musical standards of Toledo and his services are thoroughly appreciated by those residents of the city who are lovers of "the divine art," as well as by those to whom all that is of cultural value and tends to raise the individual to a higher plane of thought, makes appeal.

LINTON HENRY FALLIS

A native son of Toledo and a member of one of the honored pioneer families of the city, Linton Henry Fallis has demonstrated his ability to successfully manage large interests and is now at the head of the Sherlock Baking Company, one of the oldest and best known enterprises of the kind in the city. He was born on the 6th of October, 1886, of the marriage of Harry Dillon and Ida May (Lautzenheiser) Fallis, the former a native of Shawnee, Indiana, and the latter of Bucyrus, this state. The father was born June 22, 1861, and when six years of age he accompanied his parents on their removal to Toledo. After entering business life he established the H. D. Fallis Flour & Feed Company and later organized the Sherlock Baking Company, of which he was president until his death, being very successful in the conduct of the undertaking. He was numbered among the representative business men and highly respected citizens of Toledo. His demise occurred on the 22d of January, 1920, when he was fifty-nine years of age. The Fallis family was originally established in the south by George and Rachel (Ridgeway) Fallis, who settled in Frederick county, Virginia, while the maternal ancestors established their home in Pennsylvania at an early period in the history of this country. The mother of Linton H. Fallis removed from Bucyrus to Napoleon and thence to Maumee, Ohio, where her marriage occurred. She was called to her final rest in June, 1914, when fifty-four years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Fallis became the parents of two children: Martha, who married F. E. Heck of Toledo; and Linton Henry.

Linton H. Fallis acquired his education in his native city and following his graduation from the Central high school he responded to the lure of the west and made his way to Shoshone, Idaho. For about a year he was connected with irrigation work and then returned to Toledo, entering the employ of the Sherlock Baking Company in 1907. Starting in a humble capacity, he devoted his energies to the mastery of every phase of the business, of which he acquired a thorough knowledge, and after the death of his father he succeeded him as president, which office he has since capably filled, maintaining the high standards which have ever characterized the output of the firm and greatly enlarging the scope of the undertaking. They cater exclusively to the wholesale trade and "Luxury" bread and cakes, of which they are the makers, have a wide sale throughout the city, owing to their purity and excellence. The firm utilizes about fifty employes in the operation of its baking

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establishment, which is supplied with the most modern equipment and is a model of cleanliness. The business has kept pace with the growth of the city and Mr. Fallis is now at the head of one of the largest bakeries in Toledo.

On the 7th of February, 1913, Mr. Fallis was married to Miss Mabel Julia David, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. David, prominent residents of Toledo, and they have a son, Harry David, who was born August 17, 1918. Politically Mr. Fallis is not bound by party ties but casts his ballot for those men and measures that he deems will best conserve the public weal. He is a York Rite Mason and in the Scottish Rite Consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. Through his membership with the Chamber of Commerce he is promoting the industrial development of the city and he is also a member of the Toledo, Inverness and Kiwanis clubs.

He is an alert, capable and progressive young business man whose work sustains the enterprising spirit that has long been synonymous with the family name in commercial circles of Toledo, and a native son whose record reflects credit upon the city. His residence is at No. 1060 Prospect avenue.

CHARLES EVERETT CARTWRIGHT

The business circles of Toledo find in Charles Everett Cartwright a worthy representative, inasmuch as he is an alert, energetic and enterprising man who by close application and thorough reliability has contributed in large measure to the upbuilding of the trade of the West Crescent Fuel Company. For many years he has been connected with the sale of fuel and is familiar with every phase of the trade. It has been along the line of an orderly progression that he has reached his present position, where he finds full scope for his activity and determination. Mr. Cartwright was born in Toledo, May 17, 1877, and is a son of Isaiah Davis and Ida Mary (Dickinson) Cartwright. The father was a nurseryman in his active life. His death occurred March 30, 1920.

Charles Everett Cartwright obtained a public school education in his native city and then entered the University of Michigan, in which he remained a student until 1897. He devoted two and a half years to the study of law but did not complete his course. Entering business circles, he concentrated his efforts and attention upon real estate and insurance, carrying on his interests as a member of the firm of Hattersley & Cartwright until the fall of 1902. Since that date he has been identified with the coal business and in 1904 he became general sales agent for the Youghiogheny Gas Coal Company of Detroit, with which corporation he was associated for a decade. In 1914 he again took up his abode in Toledo and was elected to the vice presidency of the West Crescent Fuel Company, in which position he has continued. Through the intervening period of eight years his labors have been a valuable asset in the continued growth of the business and the West Crescent Fuel Company today occupies a place in the front rank among the corporations handling fuel in this city.

On the 11th of October, 1913, Mr. Cartwright was married to Miss Mary Dunwoody of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and they are the parents of two children: Ruth Dunwoody; and Charles Everett, Jr., who was born October 1, 1916. Mr. Cartwright has membership in the Commerce Club, also in the Toledo Club and the Country Club—associations indicative of his appreciation of the social amenities of life. Fraternally he is a Mason, having become a member of the consistory and

of the Mystic Shrine. In trade organizations, too, he is prominently known, for in 1919 and 1920 he was vice president of the American Wholesale Coal Association and for three years served on its executive committee. He has closely studied all features of the fuel trade, from the standpoint of production until the product is in the hands of the consumer, and thus he has been able to direct his business affairs most wisely and intelligently. Step by step he has advanced, utilizing and improving every opportunity that has arisen, and in the course of years he has gained a most enviable position as an executive of one of the large corporations handling the coal trade in Toledo. Mr. Cartwright resides at No. 2263 Parkwood avenue.

EDWARD EPHRAIM EVANS

Edward Ephraim Evans, who since 1914 has been general manager of the Whitehouse Stone Company of Toledo, was born on a farm in the province of Ontario, Canada, November 5, 1873, and is a son of James and Margaret (Dockstader) Evans. The father devoted his life to the occupation of farming. With the removal of the family across the border into Michigan, Edward E. Evans pursued his education in the public schools of Bay City and afterward attended business college at night, thus qualifying for responsibilities in the commercial world. He started out as bookkeeper in a mercantile house and, embracing every opportunity for advancement, won various promotions until through successive stages and advancement in his business career he became manager of the Coal and Builders Supply Company, a position which he occupied for seventeen years. Not only was he a prominent figure in the business circles of Bay City but likewise did much to shape public thought and action there. He served as a member of the city council for seven years, exercising his official prerogatives in support of all plans and measures for the general good. He was then elected mayor and occupied the position of chief executive for two years, at the end of which time he resigned, preparatory to establishing his home in Toledo.

It was in 1910 that Mr. Evans came to this city, where he turned his attention to brick manufacturing, in which he continued for three years and then sold out. In 1914 he was made general manager of the Whitehouse Stone Company and has since been an integral factor in this corporation, wisely directing the activities of the company in such a way as to extend its business and contribute in substantial measure to its success. His high standing in business circles is indicated in the fact that he has been elected to the presidency of the Ohio Macadam Association, an organization formed of dealers in crushed stone. He is likewise a director in the Whitehouse State Savings Bank and is vice president of the Lucas County Bankers Association.

On the 31st of October, 1901, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Evans and Miss Matilda McCuaig of Au Sable, Michigan, and they have a family of four children: Edward McCuaig, William John, Dorothy Margaret and James Robert. Mr. Evans greatly enjoys touring in his motor car and this largely constitutes his source of rest and recreation. He is the president of the Lions Club and is in hearty sympathy with the purposes of that organization to maintain high business standards, to extend commercial connections and to uphold the civic interests of the community and advance the ideals of citizenship. He belongs also to the

Chamber of Commerce and fraternally is connected with the Masons, the Elks and the Knights of Pythias. Of the Elks he is a life member and in Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and has become a member of the Mystic Shrine. His residence is at No. 2712 Parkwood avenue.

JAMES J. LASALLE, M. D.

Dr. James J. Lasalle, one of the leading members of the medical profession in Toledo, specializing in the treatment of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, is a native of Toledo, born on the 20th of January, 1875, a son of Jacob and Sibella (Stern) Lasalle. The father, one of the founders of the widely known mercantile house, The Lasalle & Koch Company, is mentioned at length elsewhere in this publication.

In the acquirement of an education James J. Lasalle attended he public schools of Toledo and the Orchard Lake Military Academy at Orchard Lake, Michigan, afterward entering the medical department of the State University of Michigan and receiving the M. D. degree in 1896. Returning to Toledo, he opened an office in this city, where he successfully followed his profession until January, 1921, building up a large practice. The advanced years and failing health of his father necessitated the latter giving up active business and Dr. Lasalle then devoted his entire attention to the affairs of The Lasalle & Koch Company, of which he was vice president and treasurer until August, 1922, when Dr. Lasalle returned to his professional activities. He is also a factor in commercial circles as secretary and one of the directors of the Joseph Roth Company, glove manufacturers, and he is likewise serving in a similar capacity with The Container Company, manufacturers of fibre pails, etc.

On the 6th of June, 1906, Dr. Lasalle married Miss Viola Roth, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roth, prominent residents of this city. Her father became the founder of the Joseph Roth Company and her maternal grandfather was Alexander Block of Toledo. Dr. and Mrs. Lasalle are parents of three children: James J., Jr., who is now attending Exeter Academy of New Hampshire; Ruth Rose; and Betty.

During the administration of Mayor Samuel M. Jones, Dr. Lasalle served as assistant health officer of the city and his professional connections are with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Medical associations and the Otological, Rhinological and Laryngological Society. He resides at No. 2554 Parkwood avenue.

JOHN W. RAPPARLIE

John W. Rapparlie, a native son of Toledo and a member of an old and highly respected family which has long figured prominently in business circles of the city, is engaged in the manufacture of wagons and automobiles, to which he has devoted his life, and broad experience has given him an expert knowledge of this line of work. He was born July 29, 1876, a son of John and Anna B. (Schettler) Rapparlie, the former a native of Cleveland and the latter of Sandusky, Ohio. As a child the father was brought by his parents to Toledo, where he was reared, edu-

cated and married. He subsequently began the manufacture of wagons in this city, being a pioneer in this field in Toledo, and successfully conducted the business until his death, developing an enterprise of substantial proportions. He passed away in December, 1886, and is survived by Mrs. Rapparlie, who is still living in this city, in which she is widely known and highly esteemed.

John W. Rapparlie, their only child, attended the grammar schools and the Central high school, after which he completed a course in the Davis Business College of Toledo. When fourteen years of age he began learning the trade of blacksmithing and wagon making, in which he received thorough instruction under his father and grandfather. Mr. Rapparlie's grandfather, John Rapparlie, was a pioneer wagon maker in Cleveland, Ohio, making the first Hansom cab built in that city. On the 10th of May, 1909, John W. Rapparlie embarked in business independently. He manufactures wagons and automobile bodies, also does repairing, painting and blacksmithing, making a specialty of commercial bodies of all types, and from the start the venture has been a success. His work represents the highest degree of efficiency in his line and owing to his untiring efforts and capable management he has been able to develop a business of large proportions.

Mr. Rapparlie was married April 12, 1910, to Miss Martha H. G. Gerkensmeyer, a daughter of Henry and Johanna Gerkensmeyer of Toledo, and they have become the parents of three children; but only two are living: John Henry, who was born September 11, 1913, and is attending the Washington school; and Willis Theodore, whose birth occurred on the 5th of November, 1919. A daughter, Betty Jane, was born July 12, 1917, and died December 14, 1921.

Mr. Rapparlie is a member of Grace Lutheran church and his political support is given to the republican party. He is a Royal Arch Mason and is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Toledo Automobile Club. Industry, ability and integrity have brought him to the front in his chosen line of work, and that his life has been an exemplary one in all respects is indicated in the fact that he is accorded the unqualified respect and confidence of those who have known him from boyhood to the present time.

CHARLES De ARGENTAGE

Charles De Argentage, general manager of the Toledo branch of the Tri-State Baking Company, is not only recognized as one of the representative business men of the city, but also as a self-made man who has constructed his own success. He was born in Paris, France, May 22, 1881, a son of Marinus and Marie De Argentage, who were also natives of that country, in which they spent their lives. The father was an officer in the French army, holding the rank of captain, and his demise occurred in 1883. The mother passed away in 1900. They were the parents of two children: Charles; and Mrs. Marie Nelson, a resident of Copenhagen, Denmark.

Charles De Argentage acquired his preliminary education in the schools of the French capital and he then entered a military academy at Copenhagen, from which he was graduated with the rank of third lieutenant. On joining the Danish army he was sent to a military post in Iceland and thence to Greenland, where he served for a year, winning promotion to the rank of second lieutenant. After his release from the service he came to the United States, arriving in this country in 1902. He first located at Pasadena, California, and soon afterward removed to Los Angeles, that

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state, where he remained for six months. Mr. De Argentage then located in New York city, where he devoted his attention to the promotion of large business enterprises, in which connection he was very successful. As manager of the Toledo branch of the Tri-State Baking Company he has succeeded in building up one of the largest enterprises of this character in the city, having an expert knowledge of this line of business. He believes that Toledo is destined to become one of the most important industrial centers in the country and has made judicious investments in city real estate, while he also owns a large tract of valuable land in southern Texas.

On the 15th of September, 1912, Mr. De Argentage was united in marriage to Miss Annie Jamison of Newark, Ohio, and they have a daughter, Dorothy, who was born in New York city in 1915 and is attending the public schools of this city.

Through his membership in the Chamber of Commerce Mr. De Argentage is doing all in his power to promote the industrial development of the city and he is also a member of the Toledo Automobile Club, while his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He belongs to that type of men who have constructive faculties largely developed and is essentially a member of the class of doers, gifted with initiative and quick resolve. He has thoroughly identified his interests with those of his adopted country and in matters of citizenship is loyal, progressive and public-spirited. His has been an eventful life, filled with varied experiences and crowned with successful achievement. His residence is at No. 310 Yaryan drive.

JOSEPH L. SKELDON

Joseph L. Skeldon, founder and president of the Joseph L. Skeldon Engineering Company of Toledo, which was organized in 1912, was born in this city November 6, 1878, and is a son of John E. Skeldon, who in former years was the well known superintendent of the government harbor lights, while later he became a captain on vessels on the Great Lakes. He also aided in dredging the channel in Toledo harbor and was thus for many years closely and prominently associated with maritime interests.

Joseph L. Skeldon, reared in Toledo and educated in the public schools, started out in the business world with the Shaw-Kendall Engineering Company of this city, with which he remained for fourteen years. In addition to his broad practical experience thereby obtained he studied engineering from the theoretical and scientific point of view and for three years he occupied the position of sales manager with the Atlas Engine Company at Indianapolis, Indiana. In 1909 he engaged in business on his own account as manufacturers' agent at Toledo, Ohio, and in 1912 he organized the Joseph L. Skeldon Engineering Company, of which he has since been the president. During the ten years of the existence of this company steady progress has been made toward the goal of success. In October 1921, buildings were purchased on Front street, one being seventy by two hundred and forty feet and the other thirty-five by one hundred feet, formerly the McNaull Boiler Manufacturing Company, and in his present well equipped plant Mr. Skeldon employs one hundred men. He is also the president of the Skeldon-Ryan Construction Company, which was organized in 1917 for the purpose of engaging in road construction work. This enterprise, like the former, has built up a large business and has become one of the important features in the industrial activity of the city. Mr. Skeldon is furthermore a director of the Toledo Rex Spray Company.

On the 6th of November, 1899, was celebrated the marriage of Joseph L. Skeldon and Miss Caddie Elizabeth Popp, who died in September, 1918. He was married in October, 1922, to Elta Yates Mitchell, and resides in a new home at No. 2376 Glenwood avenue. His father and mother, two brothers, John and Frank, two sisters, Mrs. A. E. Herman and Mrs. H. F. Heyman, are all living. Mr. Skeldon is a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and of the Knights of Pythias. He has membership with the Chamber of Commerce and the East Side Chamber, also with the Toledo Yacht Club and is an ex-president of the Ohio Society of Mechanical Engineers—a fact indicative of his high standing in professional circles.

CHARLES S. TURNER

Charles S. Turner, president of The Moreton Storage Company, has been identified with the business interests of Toledo since 1886 and with the present corporation has steadily worked his way upward through minor and intermediate positions to the presidency. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, January 27, 1863, and is a son of Charles and Elizabeth (Beal) Turner. The father, a native of England, came to America at the age of fourteen years and established his home in Wayne county, Michigan, where he engaged in farming. He also lived for a time in Chicago, Illinois, but spent the greater part of his life following his arrival in the new world, in Wayne county. Both he and his wife have passed away, the death of Mr. Turner occurring in 1911, when he had reached the very venerable age of ninety-one years. He had long survived his wife, who passed away in 1874.

Charles S. Turner was the youngest of a family of six children and his education was acquired in the public schools of Detroit until he had completed the work of the grades, after which he spent two years as a student in high school and a business college. His desire to enter upon a gainful occupation then prompted him to seek employment and he started with E. H. Moreton of Detroit on the 5th of June, 1880, in a clerical capacity. Later when the business was incorporated as the Moreton Truck Company, Limited, Mr. Turner purchased with his savings a small interest in the new corporation. He remained with the house in Detroit until January, 1886, when he came to Toledo. Three years before a branch had been established in this city by the Moreton interests and this in 1888 was incorporated as the Moreton Truck & Storage Company, Mr. Turner becoming secretary and treasurer, while a few years later he was advanced to the presidency. In 1919 the name was changed to the present style of The Moreton Storage Company. Year by year the business has grown and improved, the progressiveness and executive ability of Mr. Turner being salient features in the increase of the patronage. The Moreton Storage Company has long occupied a leading place among the business enterprises of this character in northwestern Ohio.

On the 2d of March, 1896, Mr. Turner was united in marriage to Miss Alice E. Stroud, a daughter of David W. Stroud, now residing in Los Angeles, California. Mr. and Mrs. Turner have two daughters: Helen Louise, who is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin; and Margaret. The elder daughter was married on the 15th of April, 1922, to John Griffith Witte and they reside at Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

Mr. Turner is a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and became one of the organizers and charter members of the Rotary Club, of which

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he was elected the first president. His aid and influence have ever been on the side of progress and advancement in municipal affairs and in connection with every interest that is of value and worth in the upbuilding of the city, in the extension of its trade relations and in the development of high civic standards.

FRED W. C. DIEBEL

Business interests of Toledo receive stimulus through the efforts of Fred W. C. Diebel, who has worked his way steadily upward through industry, ability and persistency of purpose to a position of importance and responsibility as vice president and manager of the Allen Red Tame Cherry Company, controlling one of the most successful commercial enterprises of the city. He is one of Toledo's native sons, his birth having occurred in this city on the 19th of September, 1871, and his parents, Fred and Anna (Fulda) Diebel, were of European birth. In early life they established their home in Toledo, where they resided until called to their final rest. The father was employed as an accountant and was an expert in that line of work.

Fred W. C. Diebel, the only child in their family, attended the grammar and high schools of this city and the Toledo Business College and when sixteen years of age he started out in the world on his own account, securing a position as office boy with a wholesale drug house of this city. He performed each task assigned him to the best of his ability and his earnest and conscientious work was rewarded by successive promotions until he eventually became sales manager of the company, in whose service he remained for twenty-five years, winning the confidence and esteem of his employers. After tendering his resignation he became connected with the Allen Red Tame Cherry Company, with which he has continued, and is now serving as vice president and manager of the firm, which maintains its offices in the Second National Bank building of Toledo. The company manufactures pure cherry juices for soda fountains and for general beverage purposes and their product, which is of superior quality, is sold all over the country. They obtain their cherries from two fine orchards near Fostoria, Ohio, in which city their plant is located. It is a large modern building of fireproof construction, the material being solid concrete, and a model of its kind, the equipment being of the most improved type. The juices are prepared under the most sanitary conditions and are placed in gallon crocks for shipment, the plant being supplied with the necessary trackage for conveying the product to its destination. Since he became connected with the company Mr. Diebel has been very successful in extending the scope of its operations and he is also vice president of the Travelers Life Insurance Company of Toledo.

On the 6th of October, 1897, Mr. Diebel married Miss Elizabeth Romeis, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Romeis, prominent residents of this city, and to this union has been born a daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, a native of Toledo and a graduate of its public schools. Mrs. Diebel is deeply interested in welfare work and is a prominent member of several civic organizations and women's clubs, supporting all those movements which have for their object the uplift of the individual and the improvement and advancement of the city.

Mr. Diebel is also public-spirited and progressive in matters of citizenship and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. In Masonry he has

attained high standing, belonging to the commandery and Shrine, and he is also a member of the Toledo Traveling Men's Association, the Toledo Drug Club, the Rotary Club, the Fifty Year Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club. From the age of sixteen years he has made his own way in the world and each step in his career has been a forward one and each change in his business connections has marked an advance. His example is one well worthy of emulation and his record is proof of the fact that success and an honored name are within the possibility of attainment by all who have the will to dare and to do. Such a record is one the American public holds in the highest honor. Mr. Diebel's home is at No. 2433 Glenwood avenue.

SARA A. DAVIES, M. D.

Woman has entered almost every field of labor but in none has she proved her capability to a greater degree than in the practice of medicine. This is undoubtedly due in large measure to her ready sympathy, which, added to her intellectual attainments, enables her to prove at once a power in the sickroom, inspiring hope and courage, while she ministers to her patients after the most approved and scientific methods of the times. Dr. Sara A. Davies, physician and surgeon, has made for herself a most enviable place in professional circles in Toledo. She was born at Columbus Grove, in Putnam county, Ohio, and is of Welsh parentage, her father, Richard Davies, having come from Wales when a young man. Her mother, Mrs. Sara Davies, was also a native of that little rock-ribbed country, which she left in company with her family when ten years of age. The parents of Dr. Davies were married at Columbus Grove and there establishing their home, reared their family. The daughter, Sara A., began her education in the schools of that place and later continued her studies in the normal college of the Ohio Northern University at Ada. During that period she determined definitely upon medical practice as a life work and left the normal to become a student in the Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College, now the medical department of the Ohio State University, from which she was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1899.

Dr. Davies spent the next year at the Woman's Hospital in Philadelphia, gaining broad and valuable knowledge and experience through her hospital work. In making a choice of a permanent location she decided upon Toledo and located on the east side, near her present office on Greenwood avenue. Here she has continued in general practice and her patronage has steadily increased from the beginning.

Dr. Davies is a firm believer in women and their ability to take their places in the professions and in business life, shoulder to shoulder with the men, and she is proving the adequacy of one woman in this particular at least. She is a member and vice president of the Toledo-Maumee Medical Society and a past president of the Woman's Medical Club and is now serving as secretary of the Homeopathic Medical Society of Toledo. She is likewise a member of the American Institute of Homeopathy and of the Ohio Homeopathic Medical Society and through her association with these organizations she keeps abreast with the trend of modern professional thought and progress. She belongs to the Toledo Woman's Club and is an active and interested member of the Zonta Club, a sister organization to the Rotary Club. Her political endorsement is given to the republican party and to the questions of the day she brings the unprejudiced mind of woman, who is not

hampered by the political traditions of the past. She has membership in the Second Congregational church and endorses and cooperates with many of the movements which are looking to betterment and improvement along many lines, while in professional circles she is constantly proving her worth in the excellent results that follow her practice.

ALVIN C. JONES

For a quarter of a century Alvin C. Jones has been identified with real estate interests of Toledo and his progressive business methods have resulted in the substantial upbuilding and improvement of the city, as well as in the attainment of individual prosperity. He was born in Fredericton, in the province of New Brunswick, Canada, February 22, 1872, and his parents were Frederick W. and Anna F. (Crosby) Jones, who were also natives of that country, the former born in the province of New Brunswick and the latter in Nova Scotia. They remained residents of New Brunswick until 1873, when they came to Toledo, afterward removing to Wellsboro, Pennsylvania, where the father engaged in the lumber business, and subsequently he went to Elmira, New York, where he became prominent as a stone contractor. He passed away in that city in 1912 and the mother's demise occurred on the 6th of March, 1922. In their family were four children: R. K. and F. M., residents of Elmira, New York; Mrs. Ella M. Woodruff, who died in 1913; and Alvin C.

The last named attended the public schools of Wellsboro, Pennsylvania, and Corning, New York, and then came to Ohio, securing work as a glass blower with the Libbey Glass Company of Findlay, this state. For six years he was an employe of that firm and in 1892 he came to Toledo, entering the real estate and insurance business four years later as a member of the firm of Bowland & Jones, but later severed that association and conducted his interests alone for several years. In 1912 the Jones-Knepper-Kinnison Company was formed and Mr. Jones has since been its president, the success of the undertaking being largely attributable to his capable management and untiring efforts. He has an intimate knowledge of the worth of all realty in the city and displays sound judgment in the conduct of his affairs and keen sagacity in placing investments. The firm engages in the general real estate and insurance business and has been particularly active in development work in West Toledo, where it has two ten acre tracts of fine home sites, each building lot having a forty foot frontage. Mr. Jones also has other business interests of importance, being president of the Pioneer Mortgage Company of Lucas county, the United Associates Company, also dealing in mortgages, and a director of the Lucas County Abstract Company.

On the 30th of November, 1898, Mr. Jones was married to Miss Bertha L. Groendyke, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lambert M. Groendyke of this city, and six children were born of their union: Ruth C., who was born in June, 1901, attended the grammar and high schools of Toledo and Denison University and is now a teacher in the South Street school; Chester L., who was born in 1903 and was graduated from the Scott high school in 1922, is now in the Ohio State University, class of 1926; Alice O., who was born in 1904 and was educated in the public schools of this city; Alvin L., whose demise occurred in 1913; Robert E.,

who was born in August, 1909, and is a student in the local schools; and Bertha C., who was born March 17, 1915, and is also a public school pupil.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones are members of the First Baptist church of Toledo and he is a republican in his political views. In civic affairs he takes an active and helpful interest and for two years he was a member of the Toledo library board, under appointment of Mayor Keller, serving from 1914 until 1916. In 1911 he was the republican candidate for mayor but met defeat at the polls, and in 1917 he was nominated by a committee of five for the mayoralty to fill out an unexpired term caused by the death of George Murphy, but the supreme court would not place his name on the ballot. For thirty-two years he has been prominently connected with the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he has been a director for the past thirteen years, and was a member of the building committee which had charge of the erection of the present fine home in which the organization is housed. He is a member of the Commerce, Exchange and Toledo Automobile Clubs and is a Mason of high standing, being high priest of Toledo chapter, and he is also a member of the commandery, while in the consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. He is likewise connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Modern Woodmen of America. He had no advantages to aid him at the outset of his career but realized that energy, determination and honest dealing are indispensable concomitants of success, and through the employment of these agencies he has steadily advanced, each forward step bringing him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. His activities have touched the general interests of society to their betterment and he has made his life count as a forceful factor in advancing the interests of his city along many lines. He resides at No. 226 Kenilworth avenue.

EDWARD HOPKINS

Some men are born with a genius for leadership and no obstacle can prevent them from obtaining the object of their ambition. To this class belongs Edward Hopkins, whose ability and energy have constituted the materials with which he has constructed his success, and as vice president and naval architect of the Toledo Shipbuilding Company he has contributed substantially to the development and upbuilding of one of the chief industries of the city. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, August 28, 1872, of the marriage of John and Ellen (Leithead) Hopkins, the former a native of Dublin, Ireland, while the latter was born in the City of the Straits. In early life the father left the Emerald isle and came to the United States, locating in Detroit, Michigan, where he learned the carpenter's trade. He became one of the leading building contractors of Detroit and many fine residences and public edifices in that beautiful city stand as monuments to his skill and ability. Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins are still residents of Detroit. Five children have been born of their union: Edward, Harold, Leslie, Mrs. Walter MacAdam, and one who died in infancy.

Edward Hopkins acquired his education in the public schools of his native city, which he attended until he reached the seventh grade, when he started out in life on his own account, securing a position of minor importance in the office of an engraving company. He was faithful, industrious and eager to learn and as his ability and experience increased he was advanced, finally being placed in charge of the

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making of illustrations. After severing his relations with that firm he secured employment with the Detroit Shipbuilding Company, of which Frank E. Kirby was then at the head, starting as office boy, and four years later he was made chief draughtsman. From 1904 until 1905 he served in a similar capacity with the American Shipbuilding Company of Cleveland, Ohio, but in the latter year came to Toledo and in association with William G. Henderson and other well known business men organized the Toledo Shipbuilding Company, of which he is now vice president and naval architect. His technical knowledge and executive ability have been effectively utilized in the development of the enterprise, which has enjoyed a remarkably rapid growth, now employing thousands of men and ranking with the largest shipbuilding concerns on the Great Lakes.

In Detroit, on the 20th of October, 1898, Mr. Hopkins was united in marriage to Miss Grace Symington, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Symington, prominent residents of that city. Mr. Hopkins is a member of the Collingwood Presbyterian church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. His deep interest in the welfare and prosperity of his city is indicated by his connection with the Chamber of Commerce and he is also a member of the Society of Naval Architects and the Toledo, Inverness, Toledo Yacht, Toledo Automobile and Rotary clubs. From early manhood he has furnished a concrete solution to the difficult problem of self-support and the record of his achievements is the best commentary upon his ability and enterprise. Such a record is one the American public holds in the highest honor.

HERBERT CHARLES WARREN

Herbert Charles Warren, vice president of the Toledo & Indiana Electric Railway Company, is a farsighted executive whose administrative powers are an asset in the successful conduct of the business of the corporation. In his career there has been no royal road to success, but he has carved out a path that has enabled him to advance steadily. Born at Troy Mills, Huron county, Ohio, on the 27th of January, 1868, he is a son of John Wheelock and Ellen (Chesebrough) Warren. The father devoted his life to educational work, becoming a college professor. He died in 1875. His widow survived until November 24, 1922, passing away at Navarre, Ohio. The son, after obtaining a public school education, started out in the business world as a telegraph operator when seventeen years of age and for some time was connected with train service. In 1893 he was advanced to the position of train dispatcher and acted in that capacity until 1900, when he became identified with electric railway interests in the construction department. In 1903 he was made general manager of the Toledo & Indiana Railway Company, controlling electric lines. In 1904 he built and operated the Toledo, Port Clinton & Lakeside electric line and in 1907 he returned to the Toledo & Indiana Railway Company as general manager. In 1920 he was elected to the vice presidency of the company, which operates fifty-two miles of road. He is familiar with every phase of railroad work, having advanced from the position of telegraph operator to a place of administrative direction and executive control. The corporation which he now represents employs one hundred and twenty-five men.

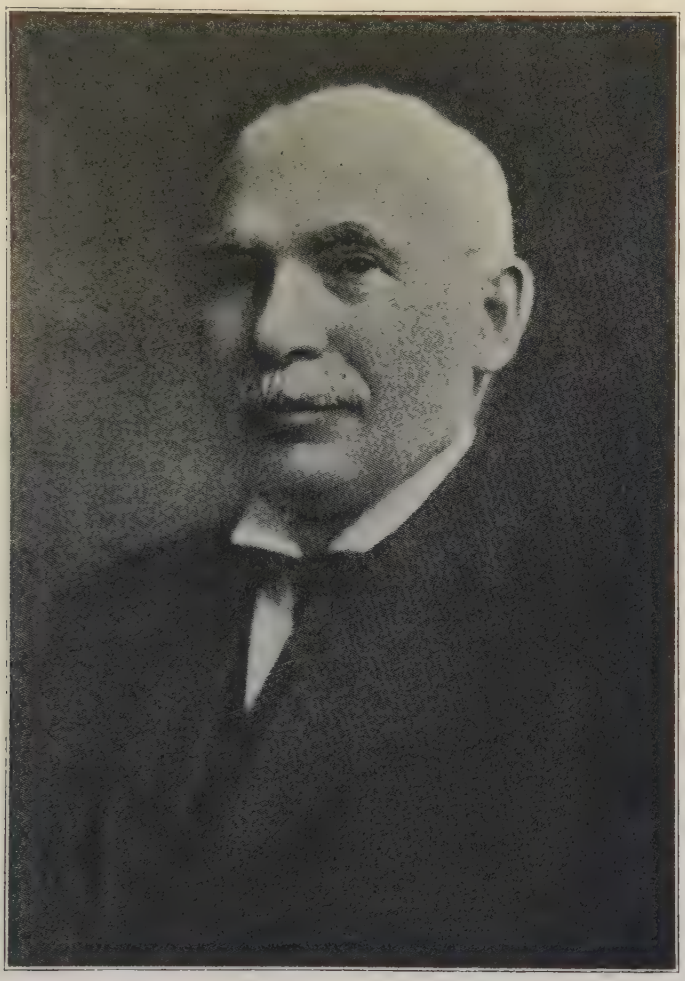
On the 16th of January, 1895, Mr. Warren was married to Delilah M. Becker and their children are three in number: Harriett Lucy, who married Fay A.

Barrenger, a salesman of Grand Rapids, Michigan. He died June 10, 1922, and was a veteran of the World war; Pickett Latimer, an electrical engineer; and Ellen Chesebrough. Mr. Warren belongs to the Knights of Pythias and his membership in club circles is with the Transportation Club. The major part of his time and attention, however, is concentrated upon his business affairs and it is this thoroughness and close application that have constituted the broad foundation upon which he has built his advancement and success. His home is at No. 1010 Lincoln avenue.

ALIES S. COHEN

There seems at times a much greater appreciation on the part of the foreign-born of the opportunities and advantages which America offers than is shown by her native sons, who, accustomed to the conditions here existing, take them as a matter of course, with little realization of how superior the opportunities offered in the United States are to those accorded in other lands. The family of Alies S. Cohen, however, with an understanding of what America had to offer, came to the new world when he was a lad of but seven years. He was born in the city of Warsaw, Russian Poland, on the 8th of February, 1842, his parents being Levi and Annie Cohen, who were born, reared, educated and married in that country. Crossing the Atlantic, they landed in New York city in 1849, where the father and mother resided until called to their final rest, the latter passing away in 1856, while the father's death occurred on the 29th of January, 1883. To them were born three sons and two daughters.

During his early years spent in New York city Alies S. Cohen attended the public schools, passing through consecutive grades to the high school, and when his textbooks were put aside he there entered the commercial world. He came to Toledo, however, on the 30th of August, 1866, and through the intervening period has been identified with the commercial development of this city. In 1871 Mr. Cohen formed a partnership with Jacob Lasalle in the dry goods business, under the name of Lasalle & Cohen, which continued until 1876, when Mr. Lasalle withdrew and Mr. Cohen then became associated with Joseph Koch, forming the partnership of Cohen & Koch, located at the corner of Summit and Madison streets. In 1881 Mr. Cohen disposed of his interest in the firm and after a trip to Europe, where he visited his old home, he returned to Toledo and in 1882 again became associated with his former partners in the firm of Lasalle, Cohen & Koch, the store being in the new Bronson building, at the corner of Summit and Madison streets. This association was maintained until 1887, when Mr. Cohen retired from the business to establish the manufacturing enterprise of which he made such a marked success, his output of ladies' cloaks, suits and coats having become widely known under the name of the "Redfern" brand. Mr. Cohen continued as president and treasurer of the Cohen, Friedlander & Martin Company until 1920, when he retired, but he remains active in business, devoting his attention to his large private interests. The manufacturing business is still conducted under the name of the Cohen, Friedlander & Martin Company, though all the original partners are out of the concern. A contemporary biographer has said of Mr. Cohen: "In his business affairs Mr. Cohen has been keen, sagacious and active, and his value as a citizen and business man is widely known and



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recognized. To follow his career step by step and in detail would show that his success is due entirely to his untiring industry, his thorough knowledge of the business, his courteous treatment, and above all, that most essential attribute of the man of large affairs, sterling honesty."

On the 5th of March, 1867, Mr. Cohen was united in marriage to Miss Betsey Lang, daughter of Jacob and Sophia Lang, and for more than forty-five years they traveled life's journey most happily together, their love and confidence increasing as side by side they shared the joys and sorrows, the adversity and prosperity which enter the careers of all. Then came the death of Mrs. Cohen in the sixty-fourth year of her age, proving the greatest blow that has ever come into his life. She is well remembered for her active charities and religious work and she was beloved to an unusual degree by her many relatives and friends. Her death occurred on the 5th of December, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Cohen had no children of their own but adopted a daughter, who is now the wife of Louis S. Ottenheimer of Toledo.

Mr. Cohen has always held to the religious faith of his fathers, belonging to the Scottwood Avenue temple, of which he was president for fifteen years, resigning in September, 1914. He has membership with Toledo Lodge, No. 144, F. & A. M., and also with the Toledo Commerce Club. His political allegiance is given to the republican party but the honors and emoluments of office have had little attraction for him. However, he has never neglected the duties of citizenship and at all times has stood ready to aid every worthy project for the public good. His is a notable record of successful achievement, for, starting out in life empty-handed, he advanced steadily through his own efforts and capability until he reached a commanding position in the business world.

ROBERT W. TAYLOR

Energy is the key which unlocks the portals of success and perseverance constitutes the path to prosperity. Possessing these qualities in abundance, Robert W. Taylor, president and general manager of the Home Fuel & Supply Company of Toledo, stands today among those men whose activity and integrity in business furnish an example well worthy of emulation. He was born in Swanton, Fulton county, Ohio, March 22, 1882, a son of Robert W. and Julia (Cable) Taylor, who were also natives of this state. For some time the father devoted his attention to the cultivation of a farm and later he engaged in sawmilling, operating plants in Fulton and Lucas counties, Ohio, until the time of his death and winning success in that field of activity. He is survived by Mrs. Taylor, who is still residing at Swanton. In their family were seven children, six of whom are living: Robert W. and M. E. Taylor of Toledo; and Roy A. Taylor, Mrs. H. C. Frogley, C. F. Taylor and Mrs. J. W. Smith, all of whom are still living in Swanton.

In the acquirement of an education Robert W. Taylor attended the grammar and high schools of his native town and also the Tri-State Business College, after which he secured a position in the cashier's office of the New York Central Railroad Company. For eight years he was identified with that corporation and then resigned to enter the service of the Toledo Plaster & Supply Company, with which he remained for three years. In 1914 he organized the Home Fuel & Supply Company, of which he is president and general manager, and from a small begin-

ning he has built up one of the most successful commercial enterprises in the city. He has always carefully planned his business, of which he has made a close study, and in its management displays foresight, sound judgment and administrative ability.

On the 16th of June, 1912, Mr. Taylor was united in marriage to Miss Anna Willis, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Willis of Toledo, and they have a daughter, Carolyn, who was born in 1914 and is attending the public schools. Mr. Taylor is a member of the Central Congregational church of Toledo and in his political views he is a republican, believing that the principles of the party contain the best elements of good government. He is a member of the Toledo Transportation Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club. He has led an active and useful life, employing every opportunity to advance, and his labors have resulted in the development of a substantial business enterprise, which is not only a source of individual prosperity but also contributes to the industrial activity and upbuilding of the city with which he has allied his interests.

HON. THOMAS LINCOLN GIFFORD

Hon. Thomas Lincoln Gifford not only figures prominently as a business man of Toledo, identified with various important corporations which are sources of general prosperity as well as of individual success, but has also contributed in large measure to the public welfare through his service in public office. He has filled many local positions with credit and distinction and is now representing his district in the state senate. Born near Mansfield, Ohio, on the 6th of May, 1865, his youthful days were spent on the home farm of his parents, James and Mary Ann (Hale) Gifford, the father devoting his life to agricultural pursuits.

At the usual age Thomas L. Gifford became a pupil in the country schools and to help earn funds for a college course he taught school in Richland, Knox and Morrow counties. He then entered the Ohio Northern University at Ada, from which he was graduated in 1890, with the Bachelor of Science degree, having paid his own way through college. He took up the study of law as opportunity offered, under his own preceptorship and during the winter of 1891-2 served as principal of the schools of Neosho Rapids, Kansas. On January 1, 1893, he came to Toledo and for several months was a stenographer in a law office. In October of the same year he was admitted to the bar and has since been actively engaged in the practice of his chosen profession, taking rank among the representative lawyers of the city. While his practice is of a general nature, embracing all branches of legal business, he has devoted particular attention to corporate and real estate law.

Mr. Gifford has become a recognized power in political circles and has rendered valuable service as a supporter of the republican party. He was first called to office in 1909, when he was elected to the city council of Toledo, and through reelection he was continued in that office until 1913. He closely studied the questions of public concern, lending his aid and influence to all projects for the general good. He was connected with the legal department of the city when much important work was done in the way of improving the park and boulevard system and he has never hesitated to urge the further improvement of the city along all lines contributing to its material, intellectual and moral progress, or to uphold any plan for its adornment. In 1914 he was vice president of the charter com-

mission for the city and still higher official honors awaited him, for in 1920 he was elected a member of the state senate and in recognition of his able and valuable services was reelected in 1922.

Important as has been the activity of Mr. Gifford in the political field, he has at the same time made for himself an enviable place in business circles and various corporate interests are now profiting by his cooperation and support. He is the president of the Oakland Coal Company, the Gallant Lumber & Coal Company, also of the Community Collateral Loan Company and of the Toledo Fur House Company and he is a director of the Doan Motor Company. These business enterprises varied in nature, have nevertheless benefited by the sound judgment and keen business discrimination of Mr. Gifford, whose habit of delving to the root of any matter makes his judgment of essential worth.

On the 23d of December, 1893, occurred the marriage of Thomas L. Gifford and Miss Genevra Hughes of Plain City, Ohio, and they have one son, Burleigh Hughes Gifford, who saw service in the World war. In fraternal relations Mr. Gifford is a member of Rubicon Lodge, No. 237, F. & A. M.; Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; and Toledo Commandery, No. 7, K. T. He is widely known in Knights of Pythias circles in Ohio, belonging to Anthony Wayne Lodge, No. 141. In 1918 he was appointed chairman of the committee appointed by the grand lodge of Ohio to revise and codify the constitution and grand statutes of the Knights of Pythias of Ohio. The result of the work of this committee was unanimously approved by the grand lodge without amendment. When one stops to analyze the record of Mr. Gifford and notes to what prominence he has attained in business, fraternal and political circles and how effective and resultant his labors have been in all these, it is manifest that he has used his time wisely and well and that the public has been both directly and indirectly a large beneficiary of his labors. His breadth of view has enabled him to seek possibilities not only for his own advancement but for the city's development, and his lofty patriotism has prompted him to utilize the latter as quickly and as effectively as the former. He has mastered the lessons of life day by day until his postgraduate work in the school of experience has placed him with the men of eminent learning and ability in Toledo.

ALBERT M. TILLINGHAST

One of the old established business enterprises of this city is that of the Toledo Saw & Supply Company, which for fifty-seven years has been in continuous operation here, and throughout the period the firm has maintained an unassailable reputation for business integrity and reliability. The undertaking was founded by Henry B. Tillinghast, and is now being ably carried forward by his son, Albert M. Tillinghast, who is president of the company. He was born in this city December 28, 1872, and his parents, Henry B. and Sarah (Merriam) Tillinghast, were also natives of the Buckeye state, in which they spent their lives. The father first entered the book and stationery business in this city, which he conducted until 1865, when he sold his interests and established the Toledo Saw & Supply Company, which he operated successfully until his death, in 1893. His initiative spirit and administrative ability enabled him to build up an enterprise of large proportions and he was numbered among the foremost business men

and honored pioneers of the city. The mother passed away in Toledo in 1917. Their family numbered four children: J. C., deceased; Mrs. Lamoille T. Brusse, a resident of Pontiac, Michigan; Mrs. Grace T. Ballard, who is living in Los Angeles, California; and Albert M.

Albert M. Tillinghast acquired his education in the grammar and high schools of Toledo and he obtained his initial experience along commercial lines in his father's establishment, which he entered in 1892. Starting at the bottom of the ladder, he worked his way through each department of the business and thus gained a comprehensive understanding of every phase of the undertaking. In 1906 his ability and industry led to his selection for the office of president and he has since been at the head of the firm. He is proving an able successor of his father, greatly expanding the scope of the business and displaying in its management the same keen discernment and executive force which characterized the latter. The company manufactures saws of all kinds, also handles mill and lumber supplies, and occupies the entire building at Nos. 1-11 South St. Clair street, giving employment to twenty-five workmen. Mr. Tillinghast also has other business interests, being a director of the Ohio Wrecking Company of Toledo.

On the 21st of January, 1921, was solemnized the marriage of Albert M. Tillinghast and Miss Bertha Hood, a daughter of Homer Hood of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Tillinghast are members of the First Congregational church of Toledo and his political support is given to the platform and candidates of the republican party. He is a Knights Templar Mason and has taken the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite Consistory and he is also identified with the Toledo Commerce Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Rotary Club. His life has been spent in Toledo, whose growth and progress he has watched with deep interest, and in the work of upbuilding and development he has borne his full share, contributing materially to the commercial prosperity of the city through the successful conduct of a large industrial enterprise. He is lending added prestige to an honored family name and is a native son whose record reflects credit upon the city.

J. WEIR COOVER

J. Weir Coover, secretary and treasurer of The Gendron Wheel Company, was born in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, May 11, 1887, and is a son of Frank Lee and Minnie Florence (Myers) Coover. The father was a grain merchant and owner of an elevator, handling grain, flour, feed and coal. The son obtained his education in the public schools of his native city until March, 1901, when he entered the high school at Columbus, Ohio. In 1904 he became a student in the Toledo Central high school and was graduated with the class of 1905. He afterward enjoyed the benefit of instruction in a business college and thus qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. In April, 1906, he entered the employ of The Gendron Wheel Company as assistant cashier and three years' capable and faithful service won him promotion to the position of cashier in 1909. He continued to act in that capacity until April, 1917, when he was elected treasurer of the company, and in January, 1921, he was chosen secretary, treasurer and one of the directors of the company. In his present position he is bending his efforts to administrative direction and executive control in connection with one of the important manufacturing and commercial interests of the city. The business has been developed to

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large proportions and for seventeen years Mr. Coover has been identified therewith, his efficiency and fidelity contributing to the success which has eventually crowned the enterprise. He is familiar with every phase of the business and his close application and unremitting industry have been valuable assets in the prosperity of this concern.

On the 18th of May, 1909, Mr. Coover was united in marriage to Miss Effie Marie Sherman of Toledo and they have become parents of three daughters: Betty, Dorothy Louise and Florence Marie. The parents are members of the Park Congregational church, in which Mr. Coover is serving as a deacon. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and heartily sympathizes with the plans of that organization to promote all interests which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. He belongs also to the Exchange Club and to the Toledo Association of Credit Men, while something of the nature of his recreation is indicated in his membership connection with the Maumee River Yacht Club. From 1921 to 1923 he served on the board of control of the Exchange Club, and in 1921 he became treasurer of the Toledo Association of Credit Men. He is loyal to any cause which he espouses, seeking at all times to further the work of the different organizations with which he is affiliated. Fraternally he is connected with Fort Meigs Lodge, No. 29, A. F. & A. M., and with Rubicon Chapter, No. 237, R. A. M., exemplifying in his life the beneficent spirit and purposes upon which the craft is based. His residence is at No. 1814 Princeton drive.

FREDERICK WILLIAM SMITH

Frederick William Smith, whose active operations in the insurance field have brought him through the stages of successive development to the responsible position of general agent for the Continental Casualty Company and the Continental Insurance Company at Toledo, is a native of the neighboring state of Michigan, his birth having occurred on a farm near Adrian, on the 30th of September, 1883, his parents being John Hugo and Margaret (Traband) Smith, the former a farmer by occupation. The son obtained his education in the country schools while spending his youthful days under the parental roof, going through the usual experiences of the farm bred boy who early becomes familiar with the labors of the fields. He attended the high school at Adrian, where he was graduated in 1907, and then, thinking to enter upon the practice of law he became a law student in the University of Michigan. Changing his plans, however, he accepted a position as circulation manager of an Ann Arbor newspaper, continuing in that capacity for three years. In 1911 he went to Hartford, Connecticut, and later to Dayton, Ohio, in both cities being identified with insurance interests. In December, 1912, he was appointed general agent for the Continental Casualty Company and the Continental Insurance Company at Toledo and has made good in this responsible position. He has closely and consistently studied the insurance situation and the opportunities of the business and has been successful in directing the affairs of the company in the districts over which he has jurisdiction.

On the 16th of June, 1916, Mr. Smith was married to Miss Alice Wincenried of Toledo and they have become parents of two children: Gurdon Dimmick and Alice. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are members of the First Congregational church. Mr. Smith was secretary of the Kiwanis Club for a period of six years, from 1916 until

1922, when he resigned, at which time the organization presented him with a gold watch and he was presented with a loving cup by the Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary, Exchange, Lions and Kiwanis clubs, in slight token of the time and effort he had given to the upbuilding of his community. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and is interested in all of the plans of that organization for the city's benefit and improvement. He is also a charter member of Damascus Lodge, No. 643, A. F. & A. M., and loyally follows the teachings and purposes of the craft. He enjoys gardening and the cultivation of flowers and finds much of his recreation along that line. His thoroughness and persistency in business have constituted the basic elements of his growing success and he has made for himself a creditable place in insurance circles.

FRANK EVERARD HECK

Frank Everard Heck, a native son of Toledo, has steadily progressed since his initial effort was made in the field of business, as he has proven his worth and ability, and is now serving as president and manager of the Rex Bread Company, in which connection he is at the head of an enterprise of large proportions. He was born May 12, 1885, of the marriage of Henry F. and Emma (Birchall) Heck, both natives of Toledo. For many years the father successfully engaged in the drug business and his demise occurred in Toledo. The mother is now living in Cleveland, Ohio. They were the parents of two children: Mrs. Bessie Caves and Frank Everard, both residents of this city.

Frank Everard Heck attended the grammar schools and Central high school of Toledo and after completing his education he secured a clerical position with the Detwiler Real Estate Company, later becoming connected with its insurance department. He next became associated with the E. C. Close Real Estate Company and after severing his relations with that firm he entered the employ of the Sherlock Baking Company. He found the work very congenial and devoted every effort to mastering the business. In July, 1920, he became identified with the Rex Bread Company and is now acting as president and manager of the concern, which caters exclusively to the wholesale trade. The company employs about seventy-five persons in the operation of its bakery, which is one of the most modern and sanitary in the city, and there is a large demand for its products because of their purity and wholesomeness. Mr. Heck displays initiative, foresight and executive force in the management of the business and has instituted many well devised plans for its expansion and development.

In November, 1910, Mr. Heck was married to Miss Martha Fallis, a daughter of H. D. Fallis, now deceased, who occupied a prominent position in business circles of the city, serving as president of the Sherlock Baking Company. Mr. and Mrs. Heck have a son, Frank Fallis, who was born in Toledo, December 23, 1911, and is now attending the public schools.

Mr. Heck is independent in his political views, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations, and as a member of the Chamber of Commerce he aids in promoting the industrial interests of the city. He is a Knights Templar and thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of Zenobia Temple, Mystic Shrine, and is also identified with the Young Men's Christian Association, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Toledo Automobile Club, the Toledo Club, the Inverness

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Club, was a charter member and is secretary of the Ottawa Park Riding Club, and is a member of the Toledo Zoological Society. He has led an active and useful life, employing every opportunity to advance, and his present success is entirely attributable to his own labors. His course has been characterized by integrity and honor in every relation and commands for him the respect and goodwill of those among whom his life has been spent. His residence is at No. 1056 Prospect avenue.

JOHN S. HARRIS

John S. Harris, member of the firm of the bond house of Sidney Spitzer & Company, has been connected with banking and investment interests throughout his business career. He was born in Kirkersville, Licking county, Ohio, June 8, 1886, and his parents, James T. and Minnie (Stone) Harris, were also natives of Ohio. The father devoted his attention to mercantile pursuits. He passed away at Kirkersville. The mother is still living.

The public schools of his native town afforded John S. Harris his educational opportunities and after entering upon his business career, he became connected with the First National Bank of Columbus, Ohio, working his way steadily upward in that institution through industry and ability, until he at length became manager of the bond department. On the 1st of January, 1913, he came to Toledo, at which time he began his connection with Sidney Spitzer & Company, and was subsequently made a member of the firm. He combines a thorough knowledge of the business with executive ability and is bending every effort toward the legitimate advancement of his house. The firm handles municipal, county and school bonds and ranks with the prominent, high grade investment security houses of the country.

At Buffalo, New York, on the 26th of June, 1911, Mr. Harris was married to Miss Sadie Horey, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Horey, prominent residents of that city.

Mr. Harris is a member of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and his political tenets are those of the republican party. He is identified with the Toledo Commerce Club and is also a member of the Inverness Country Club and the Toledo Club. He has ever endeavored to perform his duty according to the best of his ability and the years have chronicled his progress along lines which lead to his success. His career has been marked by integrity, efficiency and progressiveness and his is a well ordered, upright life that commands for him the respect and confidence of all with whom he has been associated.

NOLAN BOGGS

Nolan Boggs, lawyer and author, who since his retirement from the office of first assistant prosecuting attorney of Lucas county, in 1920, has devoted his attention to the private practice of law, has gained a creditable position in the ranks of the legal fraternity in Toledo. He was born July 4, 1888, in Elmore, Ohio, a son of Milton and Mary (King) Boggs. At the usual age he became a public school pupil and passed through consecutive grades to his graduation from the high school of his native city. He afterward pursued a course in a business college in

Toledo and then entered the Toledo University for the study of law, winning his LL. B. degree upon graduation with the class of 1909. Subsequently he spent a year in further law study in the University of Michigan and is numbered among its alumni of 1910. He has been admitted to practice in all of the state and federal courts and has made continuous progress in his chosen profession. In 1915 he was called to the office of first assistant prosecuting attorney of Lucas county and filled that responsible position for five years or until 1920, when he resigned. After that time he became senior member of the firm of Boggs, D'Alton & Doty. He is now practicing with Ralph W. Doty under the name of Boggs & Doty, with a clientage that is large and of an important character. He is also well known as the author of a "Manual of Ohio and Federal Criminal Procedure." He belongs to the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations and there are few men who hold more rigidly to the highest standards and ethics of the profession.

On the 26th of June, 1912, Mr. Boggs was married to Miss Sarah L. McPhe and they have two sons, Howard W. and Ralph Stuart. Fraternally Mr. Boggs is connected with the Masons, loyally following the teachings and purposes of the craft. He belongs also to the Commerce Club and is a valued member of the Lawyers Club. Everywhere held in high esteem, no warmer regard is entertained for him than among his colleagues and contemporaries in the profession, and while he has not yet reached the prime of life, his record is already a notable one and those who have watched his career feel that his future will be one of steady progress and advancement.

ROY P. THAL

Since establishing his home in Toledo, Roy P. Thal has made substantial progress along business lines and is now prominently connected with manufacturing interests, being secretary and treasurer of the Thal & Bitter Machine Company, which ranks with the large productive industries of the city. He was born in one of the countries of Europe, on the 10th of November, 1874, a son of Paul and Lena (Blumberg) Thal, who were also of foreign birth. Leaving their native land they sought the opportunities presented in America and in 1900 arrived in Toledo, where the father continued to reside until his demise, which occurred in 1905, The mother is still living in this city. They became the parents of eight children: Louis, Edward and Max, all of whom are residents of Toledo; Fred who makes his home in Chicago, Illinois; Jacob, of Saginaw, Michigan; Mrs. Paul Aminoff and Mrs. Sarah Luinson, who are also living in Chicago; and Roy P., of Toledo.

Roy P. Thal obtained his education in the schools of his native land, later serving a five years' apprenticeship to the machinist's trade, which he followed as a journeyman, working in many large European cities. Eventually he went to London, England, first entering the employ of a Mr. Sherman and later securing a position with a Mr. Kramer, both of whom were well known manufacturers of that city. Feeling that he could advance more rapidly in a newer country, he came to the United States in 1897 and for eighteen months followed his trade in New York city. He then went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and obtained employment with the Westinghouse Electric Company, with which he remained until 1900, when he came to Toledo. He first entered the service of the Baker Brothers Manu-

facturing Company, remaining with that firm for three years, and on the expiration of that period he joined the Toledo Machine & Tool Company, with which he was identified for eight and a half years. He next became connected with the Kinsey Manufacturing Company and on severing his relations with that firm he accepted a position with the Overland Motor Car Company, with which he continued for several years. These various associations gave him broad experience along industrial lines and he then decided to establish himself in business independently, becoming a member of the Thal & Bitter Machine Company, which was organized in 1919. Mr. Thal is now serving as secretary and treasurer of the concern, which has developed rapidly since its inception, and his well devised plans and progressive ideas have contributed materially toward the success of the undertaking. They do all kinds of machine work, devoting considerable attention to the manufacture of automobile parts, and owing to the high quality of the work turned out of their shop and their thorough reliability they have been able to build up a business of large proportions.

On the 27th of August, 1902, Mr. Thal was married to Miss Clara Gettleson, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gettleson of Toledo, and they have five children: Norman, whose birth occurred in August, 1904, and who is now attending the Scott high school of this city; Theresa, who was born in 1907 and is also a pupil of that school; Irwin, who was born in 1909, Philip, who was born in 1912, and William, born in 1915, all of whom are in school. Mr. and Mrs. Thal are members of the Collingwood Avenue temple and he is also connected with the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith. He has never had occasion to regret the determination which led him to come to this country, for here he has found excellent opportunities for the development of his ability, and through the utilization of his talents he has steadily advanced until he now occupies a position of prominence in business circles of Toledo, while his high principles and fine personal qualities have won for him the esteem and confidence of all with whom he has been associated.

FREDERICK CLARK AVERILL

Frederick Clark Averill, member of the Toledo bar, having continuously followed the profession since 1901, or for a period of twenty-two years, was born in St. Louis, Missouri, December 25, 1875, his parents being Henry E. and Julia M. (Dodge) Averill, the former for an extended period accounted one of the prominent attorneys of Toledo.

During the early boyhood of the son, the family home was maintained at Perrysburg, Ohio, where Frederick C. Averill was reared and educated until he had completed his public school course. He afterward matriculated in the University of Michigan, where he won the Bachelor of Philosophy degree, and later he entered Columbia University of New York city, where he received the degrees of Master of Arts and Bachelor of Laws. He has long been actively interested in the Way Public Library at Perrysburg and has filled the position of secretary and chairman of the book committee for a period of sixteen years. He is also a trustee of the Perrysburg Presbyterian church, one of the oldest churches organized in northwestern Ohio.

In 1901 Mr. Averill was admitted to the bar and entered upon active practice. Through the intervening years he has devoted his attention to the profession and

has made steady progress, no dreary novitiate awaiting him. Advancement at the bar is proverbially slow and yet he has won for himself a most creditable place as a capable and resourceful lawyer, ready to meet any emergency that may arise in the courts. He prepares his cases with thoroughness and care and his presentation of a case is always clear, cogent and forceful. He has ever been interested in those activities which make for progress and for higher ideals in citizenship and his patriotic spirit is manifest in hs connecton wth the Sons of the American Revolution, which also indicates the allegiance of his ancestry to those interests which have made for the upbuilding of the nation.

FREDERICK WILLIAM GAINES

Frederick W. Gaines was born in Cleveland, Ohio. He is the son of James C. and Lucy L. (Reed) Gaines. He was graduated from the Central high school of Cleveland and the Cleveland Manual Training School before entering Yale University, where he received the degrees, A. B. and LL. B. After obtaining his professional degree from Yale, he entered upon the active practice of law, practicing in all state and federal courts.

Since 1915 he has been associated with the law offices of Doyle and Lewis in Toledo, and is an attorney for the New York Central Railroad Company. During the World war he was also employed as an attorney for the United States Railroad Administration.

For a number of years Mr. Gaines was a deputy clerk of the United States district court, and is a United States commissioner. He is a member of the Toledo Bar Association, the Ohio Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the bar of the United States supreme court and the Zeta Psi fraternity of North America.

He is a successful lawyer and associated with one of the leading law firms, and has been connected with much important litigation.

On June 21, 1898, he was married to Miss Fanny Olmstead of Stamford, Connecticut. They are the parents of three children, James Olmstead, Frederick William, III, and Frances Mary. Mr. Gaines' residence is at No. 2621 Parkwood avenue.

DAVID A. YODER

David A. Yoder, prominently known in connection with dairy interests in northwestern Ohio, is the president of the Ohio Clover Leaf Dairy Company and president and manager of the National Dairy Company. He has been a lifelong resident of Ohio. He was born in Wooster, a son of Christian Z. and Lydia (Smiley) Yoder. The youthful experiences of David A. Yoder were those of the farm bred boy who divides his time between the acquirement of a public school education, the pleasures of the playground and the duties assigned him in connection with the operation of the home farm. His attention was early directed to the dairy industry and along this line he has concentrated his efforts through a considerable period of his life, being now prominently identified with a number of important dairy interests. Mr. Yoder has manifested a keen interest in the devel-

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opment of the dairy industry and improvement of milk products, his efforts beginning with the farmers in the betterment of conditions at the source and being carried out all along the line to the consumer by the utilization of scientific methods and the most modern machinery.

For some years Mr. Yoder was interested in the banking business and in the telephone business. In addition to his other interests he is vice president of the United States Malleable Iron Company. He is a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, the Rotary Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Chamber of Commerce. His interests are broad, compassing many of the activities which feature in the material upbuilding of the city, and Toledo regards him as one of her strong and able business men.

On the 20th of June, 1900, Mr. Yoder married Miss Josephine A. Lutz of Leroy, Ohio. They reside at Harold Arms.

WILLIAM E. BETTRIDGE

Among those men who have been most active in furthering the industrial development of Toledo is numbered William E. Bettridge, who has depended upon industry and ability for advancement and is now at the head of the Lakeside Biscuit Company, in which connection he is controlling a business of extensve proportions, the success of which depends upon superior administrative ability and keen sagacity. A native of Great Britain, he was born October 20, 1870, of Irish ancestry, and his advent into the biscuit business came when he was eleven years of age, when he began working for an English concern, being assigned the task of greasing pans. After arriving in this country he became connected with the D. F. Bremner Baking Company of Chicago, Illinois, in 1892, and when the American, United States and New York Biscuit companies were amalgamated into the National Biscuit Company he entered the service of that corporation, with which he remained until 1901.

In that year, in association with Miss N. Lawlor, Mr. Bettridge organized the Toledo Biscuit Company, their combined capital being about four hundred dollars. They met with many obstacles in starting their business, for owing to their lack of capital no contractor would erect a building without an agreement to pay for material and wages weekly, which was done from subscriptions from the stockholders, who consisted chiefly of retail and wholesale grocers. From this beginning a very profitable business was built up, but in 1910 a disastrous fire consumed their entire building, destroying practically all of their assets. Many loyal friends of Mr. Bettridge came to his assistance with unreserved support and on the old site was erected a modern five-story building one hundred and ten feet square, of reinforced concrete and equipped with all the most improved labor-saving devices known to the biscuit business. In 1914 Mr. Bettridge purchased the old Kruce Cracker Company of Detroit, Michigan, but on account of the conditions surrounding it, the experiment proved rather costly and he has since leased the building and equipment to the Kroger Grocery and Baking Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, who retain it as a distributing warehouse. Owing to the rapid growth of the business, it was necessary to plan additions to the factory and in July, 1919, the capacity of the plant was more than doubled. The Lakeside Biscuit Company is now operating five ovens and its plant, which is one of the most sanitary and best ventilated estab-

lishments of the kind in the United States, is capable of turning out twelve thousand crackers, baked to perfection, salted to taste and ready for packing, every five minutes. The firm manufactures a full line of crackers, cakes and biscuits, using for this purpose five carloads, or four hundred thousand pounds of flour, per week, and one hundred barrels of sugar daily. The factory is advantageously situated in the center of the best soft winter wheat belt. Only the finest of Louisiana cane sugar, creamery butter, fresh eggs and pure milk are used and these ingredients, skillfully combined by modern machinery and efficient processes and baked with consummate care, produce Lakeside quality products, which are handled by ninety-five per cent of the grocery stores in Toledo. The employes in the office and factory average two hundred and there is also a force of thirty traveling salesmen, who cover northwestern Ohio and southern Michigan, all goods being sold direct to the retail grocers. The firm has endeavored to provide the best possible working conditions for its employes and has recently installed a school of instruction in practical baking, under the tutorship of its own foremen. Mr. Bettridge is an indefatigable worker and as president of the Lakeside Biscuit Company he is controlling a business of over a million dollars annually which stands as a significant monument to his initiative spirit his powers of organization and his executive force. In the conduct of the business he has ever adhered to the master formula of integrity, honor and trustworthiness and the Lakeside products enjoy an unassailable reputation for purity, excellence and reliability.

Mr. Bettridge married Lucy Barnstable of Lake county, Illinois, who died January 17, 1922. She was the mother of two children, Elmer and Bessie.

Mr. Bettridge is a member of numerous clubs and organizations, including the Toledo Club, Inverness Golf Club, Exchange Club, Toledo Riding Club, Toledo Yacht Club and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Detroit Board of Commerce and the New Orleans Chamber of Commerce. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, receiving all his degrees in Chicago, and is a Noble of Medinah Temple, Mystic Shrine, of that city. He is also a member of Toledo Lodge, Knights of Pythias. During his early manhood he spent a year in Montana as a cowpuncher. He is an enthusiastic devotee of horseback riding and maintains that the time which he spent as a cowboy was the happiest period of his life. The word fail has never found a place in his vocabulary and difficulties and obstacles in his path have spurred him on to renewed effort. He has constructed his own success, evolving a structure that is worthy of the hands of a master builder, and his is the record of a strong mentality, stable in purpose, quick in perception, swift in decision, energetic and persistent in action. His life has been an exemplary one in all respects and commands for him the unqualified respect and esteem of those with whom he has been associated.

CHARLES W. OWEN

Charles W. Owen is a partner of the well known firm of patent attorneys, Owen, Owen & Crampton. He was born in the city of Lansing, Michigan, on the 29th of June, 1877, a son of Charles W. and Belle J. (Allen) Owen. The father was a newspaper man, identified with the "Coldwater Courier" and other Michigan newspapers.

Charles W. Owen largely acquired his education in the public schools of Cold-

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water, Michigan, before entering the George Washington University at the national capital. There he pursued his law course and was graduated with the class of 1899. Two years later he joined his brother, Wilber Owen, in Toledo, organizing the law firm of Owen & Owen, which subsequently became Owen, Owen & Crampton when Faust F. Crampton became a partner. Almost from the beginning of his professional career Mr. Owen has specialized in patent law and has made steady progress in this field, until today the firm occupies a position of distinction among the patent attorneys of the middle west. Its business is of an important character and it has been connected with notable cases in this particular, as its clientage is important and extensive. By reason of his work Mr. Owen is also well known in Washington and among his clients are the names of many who have won distinction.

On the 28th of April, 1900, Mr. Owen was united in marriage to Miss Anna V. Steinmetz, a native of Toledo, Ohio, and they have become parents of two children: Virginia and Allen.

Mr. Owen is a member of the Commerce Club, the Toledo Club and the Inverness Club—associations which indicate much concerning the nature of his interests and his recreations. By reason of his professional activity and his social qualities he has a wide acquaintance in Toledo. Mr. Owen's residence is at No. 2556 Scottwood avenue.

URSULINE ACADEMY OF THE SACRED HEART

Less than half a decade had passed after Toledo's incorporation as a city, when Father Rappe came to minister to the spiritual needs of the scattered Catholic families in the territory extending from Toledo to the Indiana state line and south as far as Allen county. His first thought was to secure religious teachers for his newly organized parish—St. Francis de Sales. A colony of Sisters from Cincinnati responded to his call. After six years in the swampy city the Sisters' health failed and they were recalled by their general superior. In 1847 the "Missionary of the Maumee" was appointed bishop of the newly erected see of Cleveland. Two years later Bishop Rappe returned to his native France to solicit priests and nuns to aid him in his diocese. For nuns he directed his steps to the Ursulines of Boulogne-sur-Mer, where he had been chaplain before coming to America. This order was named for St. Ursula, daughter of Dimnoc, king of Cornwall, who was born about the year 360. Her father promised her in marriage to Conan, a Breton prince, and Ursula had to embark against her wish, in company with a great many young maidens destined to marry the nobles and warriors among whom Conan had divided his new states. The fleet was cast by a storm near the mouth of the Rhine, and the virgins fell into the hands of the Huns, whose chief sought to make Ursula apostatize that he might marry her. She boldly declared that she was the spouse of Jesus Christ, and that she and her companions, whom she had instructed, would die a thousand deaths rather than be unfaithful to their baptismal vows. On hearing this, his love changed to hatred, and he ordered his soldiers to put them all to death. The glory of St. Ursula's apostolate did not end with her life. It is perpetuated in the illustrious Order of St. Ursula, founded in 1535 by St. Angela, who was born March 21, 1474, at Dezanzano, Italy. November 25, 1535, St. Angela founded the order. Through humility, she would not permit it to be

known in the world by her name, but gave it the name of St. Ursula. She died January 27, 1540. Bishop Rappe's appeal in France met with a generous response. Four Ursulines and one candidate accompanied him on his return to devote themselves to the education of young girls in the Episcopal city of Cleveland. Undaunted by failure in his first attempt to procure religious teachers for Toledo, Bishop Rappe begged the infant community of Cleveland to give him nuns for his beloved Toledo. From their small number they gave him five nuns, who arrived in Toledo, December 12, 1854, to begin the work of Christian education in this city, where they have built up one of the most flourishing academies in northwestern Ohio. Hardships and privations were not wanting to these pioneer nuns, but the best families of all creeds in the city recognized the cultural value of such an institution and through their generous patronage the school was enabled to grow. The memory of these loyal students is still cherished by the Ursulines.

The progress of the Ursulines in Toledo from 1854 to 1922 has been that of steady growth. The development of the parochial school system in Toledo from two schools on the convent grounds to its present status is an interesting story. The same is true of the academy. When the charter was granted by the state there was but one graduate. In 1922 there was a class of fifty graduates. In 1905 the academy at the corner of Cherry and Erie streets no longer accommodated the boarders and day students, so the new academy known as St. Ursula's was opened on Collingwood avenue. Again the numbers have outgrown the present buildings and soon a large building on Parkwood avenue will be erected. After a brief survey of his new diocese Rt. Rev. Bishop Stritch, D. D., decided that the great need of his diocese was an institution of higher education for young women. Mary Manse College, adjoining the academy on Collingwood avenue, is the result of his farseeing vision. In addition, then, to schools for children and young girls, the Ursulines offer to Toledo the advantages of a college education for young women.

REUBEN H. BITTER

That Toledo offers a good field for advancement to the ambitious, energetic young man is demonstrated in the fact that few of her native sons have sought in other localities an opportunity for the development of their talents, being content to utilize the advantages here presented, and the city has greatly profited through their intelligently directed efforts and civic loyalty. To this class belongs Reuben H. Bitter, who has spent his life in Toledo and is now serving as president of the Thal & Bitter Machine Company, operating one of the large manufacturing plants of the city. He was born October 6, 1885, and is a son of Jacob F. and Julia (Augsbach) Bitter, the former also a native of Toledo, while the latter was born in New York city but became a resident of Toledo in early life. For several years the father engaged in the general dry goods business in this city and afterward he became connected with the postal department of the United States government. He is now living retired in this city and the mother also survives. Three children were born to their union: William G., Lily and Reuben H.

After completing his high school course Reuben H. Bitter entered the Toledo School of Engineering, which he attended for five years, and then started upon his professional career. He was identified with various firms and was in the draughting departments of the National Malleable Iron Works and the Electric

Auto-Lite Company, but in 1919 decided to establish himself in business independently and organized the Thal & Bitter Machine Company, a close corporation, of which he is the president, while Roy Thal, a prominent business man of this city, is serving as secretary and treasurer. They manufacture dies, tools and an automobile spotlight, utilizing from forty-five to seventy-five employes in the operation of their plant, and under the capable direction of Mr. Bitter the undertaking has rapidly developed, a large volume of business now being done by the firm, which occupies a prominent position in manufacturing circles of the city.

Mr. Bitter was married on the 30th of November, 1917, to Miss Minerva Duesing, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Duesing of this city, and they have a daughter, Elaine, whose birth occurred in 1918. Mr. Bitter is identified with the Masonic order, being a member of the lodge, chapter and council, but is not connected with any other organizations, his attention being concentrated upon his business interests. His life has been one of diligence and determination and well defined plans and purposes have carried him steadily forward until he now ranks with Toledo's representative business men. He has ever directed his interests by the rules which govern strict integrity and unabating industry and he enjoys the high regard of those who have known him from boyhood to the present time.

STANLEY A. GRZEZINSKI

Stanley A. Grzezinski, engaged in the general practice of law in Toledo since 1911, and a recognized leader among the people of Polish birth or descent in this city, in which he has always made his home, was born October 18, 1887, his parents being Michael and Juliana (Prelinski) Grzezinski. He acquired his early education in parochial schools and afterward attended the Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio, where he pursued his law studies and won his professional degree as a graduate of the class of 1911. He then returned to Toledo, where he entered upon general practice and through the intervening period has largely devoted his attention to his professional interests and duties. He is associated with the law firm of Hackett & Lynch and he has also become closely connected with several important business interests, being the president of the Polonia Clothing & Shoe Company and also one of the directors of the Polish Savings, Loan & Building Association. He endeavors in every possible way to assist the Polish people of this locality, for being a native American citizen and of Polish descent, he understands both sides of the questions that must be solved in amalgamating the Polish people into American life and citizenship.

During the World war Mr. Grzezinski became identified with the Officers Reserve Corps of the Field Artillery and was on duty at Camp Zachary Taylor. He is now a member of the American Legion. He belongs also to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and to the Loyal Order of Moose and he further has membership with the Knights of Columbus, which indicates his affiliation with the Catholic church. He is a member of the Commerce Club, of the Toledo Automobile Club, of the Phi Delta Phi and the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. These varied and various membership connections indicate the nature of his interests and the breadth of his activities. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and in 1915 he was a candidate for the office of municipal judge. He regards the pursuits of private life, however, as abundantly worthy of his best

efforts and is concentrating his attention largely upon his professional duties, which are steadily developing as his powers increase through the exercise of effort and through his continuous study of the principles of jurisprudence.

HOMER H. HEATH, M. D.

Dr. Homer H. Heath, a member of one of the old and highly respected families of Ohio, has been identified with the medical fraternity of Toledo for the past seventeen years and has gained a well established position as one of the most successful surgeons of the city, his ability being attested by the large practice accorded him. He was born at Whitehouse, Ohio, August 14, 1877, a son of Dr. Francis Marion and Abigail (Kimber) Heath, also natives of this state, the former born at Heath's Corners, Ohio, and the latter at Whitehouse, Lucas county. The latter was a daughter of Harriet Mullen Kimber, who was the first white woman to settle near Aetna, Ohio, and later removed to Whitehouse. The maternal grandfather made the trip to California with the gold seekers of 1849 and died near Sacramento, California, on the return journey. The paternal grandfather, Nehemiah Heath, came to Ohio from Heath's Corners, Roxbury, Massachusetts, and the land on which he located afterward became known as Heath's Corners, Ohio. He later removed to Colton, Ohio. He married a Miss Davis, who was a member of an old and highly respected family of New England, and their son, Francis Marion Heath, became one of the leading physicians of Whitehouse, where he continued to follow his profession until his demise, which occurred in 1896. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war, enlisting as a private in the Sixty-eighth Ohio Infantry. He was wounded in action and was invalided home, but after recovering reenlisted, joining the One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which he served until the close of the war. The mother is now a resident of Toledo.

Homer H. Heath, the only child in their family, attended the public schools of Whitehouse, Ohio, and the Broadway School of Toledo, also the preparatory school of Hiram College, and was graduated from that institution in 1899, with the A. B. degree. For four years he studied medicine under Dr. George W. Crile of Cleveland, Ohio, and in 1903 he was graduated from the Western Reserve University, receiving the degree of M. D. On the 6th of June, 1905, he began his professional career in Toledo and has since built up a large practice in surgery, confining himself to major operations. Since 1905 he has been a member of the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital and in 1909 he became connected with the staff of the Flower Hospital. In 1913 he was made chief of staff at the Toledo Hospital and since January, 1922, he has served as chief of the surgical division of the Lucas County Hospital, while since 1920 he has been chief surgeon at the Maternity and Children's Hospital. He also has business interests, being a director and treasurer of the Whitehouse Stone Company.

On the 1st of March, 1905, Dr. Heath was united in marriage to Miss Permelia Pray, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Pray of Waterville, Ohio, and they have two children: Catherine A., who was born June 21, 1907, and is a student at the Scott high school of this city; and Frank L., who was born June 10, 1911, and is attending the Roosevelt school.

Dr. Heath enlisted for service at the time of the Spanish-American war, join-

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ing the Sixth United States Regulars, and was druggist at the Base Hospital at Fort Thomas, Kentucky. During the World war he was surgical supervisor of war industries and had charge of the United States nitrate plant hospital, which was erected under his direction. He is a Mason and is also a member of the Rotary Club, the Sylvania Golf Club, the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club, and belongs to the United Spanish War Veterans. He keeps in touch with the onward march of the profession through his identification with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Medical Associations and is also a fellow of the American College of Surgeons. His life has ever been guided by high purposes and ideals and with the passing years he has steadily progressed until he now ranks with the foremost surgeons of Toledo.

CLAUDE ALBERT PENNOYER

Toledo is rapidly becoming one of the great manufacturing centers of the country, owing to its splendid transportation facilities, also to the fact that it is located in the heart of industrial America, and last, but not least, to the enterprise and public spirit of the men who control its commercial interests. In this connection particular mention should be made of Claude Albert Pennoyer, who is well known in business circles of the city as vice president and general manager of the Rollaway Motor Company, one of the leading productive industries of the Maumee valley. He was born in Sterling, Illinois, January 9, 1882, of the union of Arland and Mary (Abbott) Pennoyer, the former a native of New York and the latter of Illinois, to which state the father removed in early life. He became identified with marine interests, serving as captain of packet steamers plying the Mississippi river, while for thirty-five years he acted as agent at Quincy for the St. Paul Packet Company. He is still active in business affairs and the mother also survives. In their family were two children: Claude Albert; and George S., deceased.

The public schools of Quincy, Illinois, and the Gem City Business College afforded Claude Albert Pennoyer his educational opportunities and on starting out in life independently he secured employment as clerk and purser on one of the steamers of the Diamond Joe line, operating between St. Louis, Missouri, and St. Paul, Minnesota. He next became agent for that line at Hannibal, Missouri, acting for five years in that capacity, and he then entered the service of the Liquid Carbonic Acid Gas Company of Chicago, which he represented as a traveling salesman for seven years. On the expiration of that period he went to Detroit, Michigan, as distributor for the Overland Motor Car Company and he also spent five years at Saginaw, Michigan, in that connection. In 1919 he came to Toledo and joined the Rollaway Motor Company, then engaged in making bicycle motors, while since December, 1921, they have also manufactured the Lokwel tilting and locking steering wheel, which is an innovation in the line of automobile accessories and has found instant favor with motorists throughout the country, owing to its great convenience, its durability and its security. They have secured the patent rights for this wheel, for which there is a growing demand, and are now far behind in filling their orders, which are coming to them from all sections of the United States. Their factory is modern and well equipped and they now employ from one hundred and fifty to two hundred men. Mr. Pennoyer is vice president and general manager of the company and has proven very capable in directing the labors of those under him.

He has succeeded in attaining a high degree of efficiency in the operation of the plant and is bending every effort toward the legitimate expansion of the business.

At Quincy, Illinois, on the 21st of March, 1908, Mr. Pennoyer was married to Miss Helen Stewart, a daughter of Arthur Stewart of that city, and they have two children: Frances Harriet, who was born in Quincy in 1911 and is attending the Smead school of Toledo; and Helen Elizabeth, whose birth occurred in Saginaw, Michigan, in 1917. Mr. Pennoyer reserves the right of voting according to the dictates of his judgment and is independent in his political views. He is a member of the Detroit Yacht Club and his fraternal connections are with the Masons and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His has been a life of diligence and determination, and success in substantial measure has crowned his efforts. He is energetic, straightforward and honorably ambitious and measures up to the highest standards of personal honor and present-day business ethics.

ALBERT J. KRANZ

Albert J. Kranz, one of the younger representatives of the Toledo bar, having been admitted to practice in 1917, has already attained a creditable place that many an older lawyer might well envy. He is a native son of Toledo, born on the 12th of June, 1893, his parents being Peter J. and Helena Kranz, of whom mention is made elsewhere in this work. In the acquirement of his education he attended St. Mary's College and afterward continued his studies in the high school at Dayton, Ohio. He next entered the University of Michigan, in which he was a student in the years 1911, 1912 and 1913, after which he entered Notre Dame University, in which institution he pursued his law studies until graduated in 1917, with the LL. B. degree. The same year he was admitted to practice at the bar of Ohio, being licensed in the month of December, and since that time he has followed his profession in Toledo. Progress in the law is notably slow, yet Mr. Kranz is already well established in practice and is winning for himself a creditable name and place as a representative of the legal profession in his native city. He belongs to the Lucas County Bar Association and has many warm friends among its representatives.

ALFRED BLACK KOCH

Alfred Black Koch occupies a leading position in mercantile circles of Toledo as president of the Lasalle & Koch Company, being thus at the head of one of the largest department stores of Ohio and the middle west. His birth occurred in this city, on the 22d of December, 1884, his parents being Joseph and Hattie (Black) Koch, the former a native of Germany who emigrated to the United States in 1859. In the acquirement of an education Alfred B. Koch attended the Central high school of Toledo, later entered the University School of Cleveland, from which he was graduated in 1903, and subsequently spent two years as a student in the University of Michigan. It was because of the death of his father that he left the last named institution at the end of his sophomore year and entered the service of the Lasalle & Koch Company, where he served in divers

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capacities. He later became buyer for various departments and in 1911 was made general manager, while upon the demise of Jacob Lasalle in 1921 he succeeded to the presidency of the company. In 1922 he secured control of the stock of this corporation, the business of which is steadily developing under his capable direction and wise management. His high standing in commercial circles is indicated in the fact that he has been honored with the presidency of the Toledo Retail Merchants Board and of the National Retail Dry Goods Association. He is also a member of the federal trade committee of the Department of Commerce and was president of the Toledo Rotary Club in 1918. With financial interests he is identified as a director of the Second National Bank.

In Toledo, in 1910, Mr. Koch was united in marriage to Miss Helen Copelin, a daughter of I. W. Copelin. Mr. and Mrs. Koch have a son, Alfred, Jr., who was born March 18, 1911. Mr. Koch is a member of the Toledo Club and the Toledo Tennis Club, while his deep interest in the cultural advancement of the city is manifest in his identification with the Toledo Art Museum and the Civic Music League, of both of which he is a director. He is likewise a trustee of the Toledo Community Chest. During the period of the World war he served as secretary of Draft Board, No. 2, and was made president of Toledo Chapter of the American Red Cross. He has gained an enviable name and place for a man of his years, being widely recognized as one of the prominent merchants and foremost citizens of Toledo, where he has always lived and where he has a very large circle of friends.

CHARLES A. LANGDON

Charles A. Langdon is a successful architect of Toledo who has been a resident of this city sufficiently long thoroughly to establish his reputation as a leading representative of his profession and his business is one of growing extent and importance. He was born in Castleton, Vermont, August 5, 1866, a son of Charles and Sarah Jane (Moulton) Langdon, who were also natives of that place, in which they spent their lives. The father was educated for the law but engaged in business as a member of the firm of Sherman, Langdon & Williams, marble dealers, at West Rutland, Vermont. His demise occurred in 1871. The family is an old and distinguished one in both the paternal and maternal lines. The ancestral record is traced back to George Lankton, a native of England, who sailed for America in 1646, first locating at Wethersfield, Connecticut, whence he removed to Northampton, Massachusetts, and there died. In subsequent years the present spelling of the name was adopted and Benjamin F. Langdon, the grandfather of the subject of this review, was a prominent attorney of Castleton, Vermont. The Moulton family is of Norman descent and Thomas Moulton, the American progenitor of the name, was prominent in court circles of England prior to his emigration to this country. He became one of the early settlers of the New England colony, first establishing his home at Windsor, Vermont, and had charge of a large estate. Mrs. Sarah Jane (Moulton) Langdon passed away in 1874, leaving a family of three children: Helen C., who married Curtis C. Gardiner, a representative of the Hartford Insurance Company and a resident of New York city; Lucy Caroline, the wife of Bates Waynan, who is connected with the American Express Company at New York; and Charles A.

Charles A. Langdon attended the public schools and Castleton Seminary at Castleton, Vermont, until he reached his fourteenth year, when he became a pupil

in Smith Academy at St. Louis, Missouri, and later entered the manual training department of Washington University of that city, from which he was graduated in 1884. He then spent part of a year in the office of J. B. Legg, one of the most prominent architects of St. Louis, and in December, 1884, he came to Toledo as a teacher in the Scott Manual Training School. During the following year his work was of varied nature, after which he became identified with Isaac D. Smead, engaged in the heating and ventilating business in Toledo and Kansas City, Missouri, and remained in his service for six years. On the expiration of that period he returned to Toledo and was connected with the drafting department of the Conant Furniture Company and also with the Ketcham Furniture Company. In 1897 he established himself in the practice of his profession, opening an office in this city and conducting his business alone until 1899, when he formed an association with Otto H. Hohly under the name of Langdon & Hohly, which continued until Ralph S. Gram was admitted to partnership under the name of Langdon, Hohly & Gram. Their handiwork is seen not only in many of the large and substantial structures of the city, but of western Ohio, some of the most notable buildings which they have been connected with being The Rickey Memorial Hospital at the Masonic Home, Springfield, Ohio; the buildings of the Marsh Foundation School, Van Wert, Ohio, the Epworth Methodist Episcopal, First Reformed and Memorial Reformed churches, Toledo Ohio, the plants of the Toledo Machine Tool Company and many fine residences. Their professional services are in constant demand and they rank with Toledo's leading architects.

On the 17th of July, 1888, Mr. Langdon was united in marriage to Miss Alice McCreery, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McCreery, well known residents of this city. They are members of the First Congregational church and Mr. Langdon gives his political support to the republican party. He is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, whose well devised plans for the promotion of the industrial interests of the city receive his hearty support. In Masonry he has attained high standing, the honorary thirty-third degree having been conferred upon him. He has made continuous progress in his profession, working his way upward through his experience and study, resulting in the attainment of wider knowledge and greater efficiency, and his labors have contributed to the development and improvement of the city. Mr. Langdon resides at No. 223 Melrose avenue.

WILLIAM F. MILLER

William F. Miller, who since 1915 has engaged in general law practice in Toledo, has practically spent his life in this city, where he first opened his eyes to the light of day on the 19th of April, 1888, his parents being Charles H. and Alvina A. (Schelske) Miller. The public school system of the city accorded him his early educational opportunities and when he had completed the work of the grades and the high school he entered the Woodville Lutheran Normal School at Woodville, Ohio, from which he was graduated with the class of 1911. Having determined to make the practice of law his life work, he then matriculated in Toledo University as a law student and later he entered the Hamilton Law School of Chicago, from which he was graduated in 1915, with the LL. B. degree. The same year he entered upon active practice in Toledo. He has never sought to concentrate his efforts and attention along a single line but has continued in general

practice and his responsibilities and duties along professional lines have constantly increased in volume and importance. His success is attributable to the thoroughness with which he prepares his cases, the clearness and force with which he presents his arguments and the accuracy with which he applies the principles of jurisprudence to the points in litigation. Aside from his connection with the bar he is interested in many of the local industries.

On the 10th of September, 1913, Mr. Miller was united in marirage to Miss Florence A. Raabe of Toledo and their children are: Paul C., Elizabeth Jane and William F. Jr. Mr. Miller and his wife have membership in the Lutheran church and the breadth and nature of his interests is further indicated in the fact that he is the secretary of the Robinwood Hospital, Lutheran Hospice, and Lutheran Inner Mission Society, and has membership in the Commerce Club and in the Lucas County Bar Association.

WILFRED GEORGE CHRISTENSEN

Wilfred George Christensen, one of the younger representatives of the Toledo bar, already, however, making steady professional progress, was born in this city July 21, 1896, his parents being John and Ann (Johnson) Christensen, who were natives of Denmark. Coming to the new world, the father engaged in business as a structural iron worker.

Wilfred G. Christensen pursued his early education in the public schools and in due course of time attended the Scott high school, while later he matriculated in the Junior College of Arts of the Toledo University. Determining upon the practice of law as a life work, he studied and was admitted to the bar in December, 1920, and in 1921 was graduated from the law department of the Toledo University. He has thus thoroughly qualified for his profession and is already well established as a capable and resourceful young lawyer. He belongs to the Lucas County Bar Association, is also a member of the Loyal Order of Moose and of the Masonic fraternity and the sterling traits of his character commend him to the confidence and high regard of those with whom he comes into contact.

JOHN P. HURLEY

John P. Hurley, Sr., organizer and president of The Toledo Parlor Furniture Company, was born in Ontario, Canada, October 15, 1862, and is the son of Michael and Ellen (Lee) Hurley, both of whom were natives of Ireland, whence they crossed the Atlantic to Canada, settling there in early life. The father engaged in farming in that country for some time. In 1865 he removed with his family to Toledo, turning his attention to the contracting business. Both he and his wife passed away in this city.

John P. Hurley, Sr., attended St. Patrick's parochial school and the Toledo Business College. In 1876 he entered the printing trade, serving his apprenticeship with the Toledo Printing and Publishing Company (afterward the News Bee Company). He later became foreman of the B. F. Wade Printing Company. In 1888, with others, he engaged in the manufacture of furniture in a small store on

Summit street, the present site of the Bostwick-Braun Company. In 1890 The Toledo Parlor Furniture Company was incorporated and Mr. Hurley has been president and manager since its organization. The company, now located on City Park avenue, near Dorr street, manufactures a high-grade line of upholstered furniture, for the territory covering Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and eastern Tennessee. Its excellent reputation is well known throughout this section of the country and a large number of retail furniture dealers have continually sold this concern's line since its organization, thirty-three years ago.

On the 8th of September, 1885, Mr. Hurley was married to Miss Mary A. Nesbit of Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nesbit. They have become parents of seven children who are all living except two. Walter J. was educated in the public and parochial schools and St. John's University. During the World war he served in the army and has since been associated with his father in the furniture business. He married Miss Katherine Kountz, daughter of General John S. Kountz and Agnes Kountz of Toledo, and they have three children. Eleanor N. was educated in the public and parochial schools, the Ursuline Convent, Mary Laws School, Michigan State Normal, and the Toledo and Columbia universities; she is now teaching in the Toledo public schools. Joseph S. was also a pupil of the public and parochial schools, St. John's University and in Campion College of Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. He enlisted in the navy during the World war, and then entered the University of Pennsylvania. At the present time he is also connected with the Toledo Parlor Furniture Company. Paul J., educated in the Toledo public and parochial schools and St. John's University, is also identified with his father's business. John P., Jr., attended the Toledo public and parochial schools, St. John's University, and is now completing his education at the University of Notre Dame. The religious faith of the family is that of the Roman Catholic church.

Mr. Hurley is a charter member of the Knights of Columbus. He also belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, and is interested in other manufacturing industries and organizations in Toledo whose plans and purposes are for the upbuilding of the city and the support of all measures which tend to promote progress and improvement in municipal affairs.

FRANK O. MOBURG

Frank O. Moburg of Toledo, whose business interests are largely concentrated in the seven Rex Spray companies, of which he is the president and general manager, was born in Marshalltown, Iowa, May 10, 1869, and is a son of Oliver and Julia Moburg. His youthful days were spent in his native state, where he pursued a high school education and a commercial college education, being thereby qualified for the practical and responsible duties of the business world. In young manhood he became interested in the manufacture of insecticides and fungicides (spray chemicals) and throughout the intervening period has directed his efforts along that line.

For three years Mr. Moburg represented one of the leading firms in that line of business as a traveling representative. In 1896, in Omaha, Nebraska, he organized the first Rex Spray Company and later the other Rex Spray companies, and is now general manager of them all, is vice president and general manager of The Toledo Rex Spray Company, and president and general manager of the other Rex Spray

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companies, which are operating in seven different cities of the Union. He is chairman of the boards of directors of these different corporations, and a very substantial business has been developed, the trade relations now reaching out to every section of the United States and Canada. The products manufactured meet the approval and requirements of all state experiment stations and the United States department of agriculture.

Mr. Moburg was the originator of commercial lime-sulphur solution or sulphide of calcium, which is now manufactured by various large corporations in the United States and is recognized as the authentic necessary product for the control of San Jose scale for orchard and various shade trees.

The various Rex companies unitedly maintain a fellowship in the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Dr. O. F. Hedenburg of that Institute devotes his entire time to developing new products and improving, if possible, the qualities of the products as now manufactured in the Rex plants.

The business now includes the manufacture of lead arsenate under Rex patents; calcium arsenate, the product recommended by the United States department of agriculture for control of the boll weevil and other insecticides and fungicides and has continuously expanded until it is now the largest of its kind in the world.

On the 10th of May, 1899, in Sheldon, Iowa, Mr. Moburg was united in marriage to Miss Lulu E. Shaffer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Shaffer. They took up their residence in Toledo in 1913, and through the period of their residence here they have gained many warm friends who esteem them highly for their possession of those traits of character which in every land and clime awaken confidence and regard.

Mr. Moburg belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and he has gained for himself a creditable position and wide popularity in some of the leading clubs and social organizations of his adopted city. He belongs to the Commerce Club of Toledo, also to the Toledo Club and to the Inverness Club. His religious faith is manifest in his membership in the Methodist Episcopal church.

JACOB LASALLE

Jacob Lasalle was the president and a founder of The Lasalle & Koch Company of Toledo, conducting one of the leading as well as one of the largest department stores not only in Ohio but in the middle west. His birth occurred in the year, 1833, in Marsberg, Germany, where his boyhood was spent. It was in 1856, when a young man of twenty-three, that he crossed the Atlantic to the United States and located at Dubuque, Iowa, where he secured a position as clerk in a dry goods store. Later he went to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he invested his small savings in a tobacco business, which, owing to a combination of unusual circumstances, was not profitable. He next removed to Chicago, where he engaged in the brokerage business and purchased a seat on the Stock Exchange. In the Illinois metropolis he won and lost two fortunes. He was a resident of Chicago when the Civil war was inaugurated and organized and equipped a company, which was taken into the Union army. Mr. Lasalle served as a captain of the Eighty-second Illinois Infantry Regiment during the period of hostilities between the north and the south and following the successful termination of the conflict returned to Chicago, where he was married. He began his domestic life

in Toledo, Ohio, and here opened a small dry goods store, of which he was the sole owner and only employe. In 1871 he became associated with Alies S. Cohen in the dry goods business, under the name of Lasalle & Cohen, which partnership was maintained until 1876, when Mr. Cohen withdrew, leaving Mr. Lasalle to continue the business alone. In 1882 the latter formed a partnership with Messrs. Cohen and Joseph Koch under the firm name of Lasalle, Cohen & Koch, which was changed to Lasalle & Koch when Mr. Cohen withdrew five years later. From 1890 until 1900 the store was located in the new Bronson building at the corner of Summit and Adams streets, but in the latter year the firm left Summit street, the heart of the retail shopping section, and removed to the Secor building at Superior and Jefferson streets, where they conducted business until 1917, when the present magnificent store building at Huron and Adams streets was completed. Mr. Lasalle occupied the presidency of The Lasalle & Koch Company from the time of its incorporation until his death. He remained active in the business until his advanced age necessitated the gradual relinquishment of his duties in connection with the control and management of this large corporation. He made almost daily trips to the store and was personally acquainted with the nearly one thousand employes of the establishment, knowing them by name. The deep interest which he manifested at all times in their welfare won him their love and respect.

In Chicago, Illinois, in 1864, Mr. Lasalle was united in marriage to Miss Sibella Stern and they became the parents of two sons and two daughters: Solomon, who acted as general manager of The Lasalle & Koch Company until his demise in 1918; Dr. James J., of Toledo, who is mentioned at length on another page of this work; Mrs. A. Tutner of Cleveland, Ohio; and Mrs. Lyman Felheim, who is a resident of Erie, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Lasalle was a worthy exemplar of the Masonic fraternity and an active worker in the B'nai B'rith. His death, which occurred on the 17th of September, 1921, when he had reached the venerable age of eighty-eight years, was the occasion of deep and widespread regret, for he had gained an extensive circle of warm friends in Toledo during the long period of his residence here. Coming to the new world in early manhood, he here found the opportunities which he sought and through their wise utilization won a place among the most prominent merchants of Toledo, where he was an active factor in business circles for more than a half century.

EDWIN J. LYNCH

Edwin J. Lynch, member of the law firm of Hackett & Lynch, is a well known figure in both legal and civic circles not alone in Toledo but throughout the state. In the midst of an extensive law practice of an important character he has found time to fill a number of public offices and the competent manner in which he has discharged his duties is evidenced in the fact that he has again and again been chosen by appointment or election to positions of public trust. Throughout his life he has been a resident of Toledo, his birth having here occurred on the 1st of May, 1887, his parent's being John E. and Julia C. (Stack) Lynch, whose family numbered four children, of whom he is the eldest, the others being John Thomas, Walter and Robert.

Edwin J. Lynch was a pupil in St. Patrick's Academy and in the Central high school before he entered Toledo University. In preparation for his profession he

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became a student in the University of Notre Dame, which conferred upon him his LL. B. degree in 1910. He was admitted to the Indiana bar in September of that year and to the bar of Ohio in December. He entered upon the general practice of law in Toledo in 1910 and was associated with Paul Ragan until 1916, when the present firm of Hackett & Lynch was formed. Although advancement at the bar is proverbially slow, he has made steady progress, demonstrating his ability in the careful manner in which he prepares his cases and in his clear and cogent presentation of his cause before the court. Step by step he has advanced and his ability, his oratorical power and his knowledge of the law have gained him prestige at the Toledo bar.

Mr. Lynch is a communicant of the Catholic church, belonging to St. Ann's parish. He also holds membership with the Knights of Columbus as a representative of Toledo Council, No. 386. He is also a member of Toledo Lodge, No. 53, B. P. O. E. His political support is given to the democratic party and he is a member of the Frank H. Hurd Democratic Club and also of the Gem City Democratic Club of Dayton. He belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and has manifested keen interest in public affairs, endorsing all plans and measures which he deems of vital worth in the upbuilding of the community. In 1915 he was elected a member of the state senate from the thirty-fourth district and served in the eighty-first general assembly. In 1915-16 he was assistant prosecuting attorney of Toledo and Lucas county and from 1916 until 1919 he occupied the position of assistant United States district attorney of the northern Ohio district. In 1920 he was a delegate to the democratic national convention and he is now serving as a member of the democratic state central committee. Along professional lines his membership is with the Toledo and Lucas County Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the National Bar Association. While he has held various public offices, the duties of which he has discharged with capability and fidelity, he regards the pursuits of private life as in themselves abundantly worthy of his best efforts and his devotion to his clients' interests has become proverbial.

SEAMAN G. VROOMAN

For many years the name of Vrooman has been a prominent one in connection with the printing business in Toledo, and following in the footsteps of his father, Seaman G. Vrooman is displaying the same ability and enterprise which characterized the latter in the conduct of his interests. He is one of Toledo's native sons and was born March 30, 1884, his parents being George W. and Emma B. Vrooman, the former a native of New York state and the latter of Elmore, Ohio. As a young man the father came to Toledo, where he followed the printer's trade, working for others until he had accumulated sufficient capital to enable him to embark in business independently, when he organized the Vrooman Printing Company. The business was founded soon after the close of the Civil war, being one of the pioneer enterprises of the city, and Mr. Vrooman successfully operated it until his demise, which occurred in 1911, winning a high place in the esteem of his fellow citizens. For twenty-one years he had survived the mother, who passed away in this city in 1890.

Following his graduation from one of the high schools of Toledo at the age of seventeen years, Seaman G. Vrooman began learning the printer's trade in his

father's plant and has since been connected with the business. He was at first identified with the Montgomery & Vrooman Company, which later became known as Vrooman, Anderson & Bateman and subsequently as Vrooman & Anderson. In 1914 the business was incorporated under the name of The Vrooman-Fehn Printing Company and the subject of this review is filling the office of president. He possesses an expert knowledge of the trade and his sound judgment, executive ability and persistency of purpose have enabled him to develop a large volume of business. The plant, which is located at No. 38 Ontario street, was erected expressly for this purpose and is modern in every particular, being equipped with the latest and most improved automatic machinery. The firm employs twenty-five experienced printers and press operators and produces direct by mail sales campaigns complete. All that indicates progress in the "art preservative" is to be found in this establishment, which has ever been distinguished by its high quality of work and ranks with the best in the city.

In Detroit, on the 19th of February, 1909, Mr. Vrooman was married to Miss Myrtle T. Rochford, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rochford, and they have two children: George R., who was born in 1911 and is attending school; and Carolyn, born in 1920. Mr. Vrooman is a member of the United Typothetae of America and was one of the organizers of the Toledo Exchange Club, of which he was the first secretary. He is a member of the Sylvania Golf Club, and in Masonry has taken the Knights Templar degree in the York Rite, and in the Scottish Rite Consistory he has attained the thirty-second degree, and is also a member of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He has been a persistent, resolute and energetic worker and the years have chronicled his growing success. His life has been spent in this city and the spirit of enterprise and progress which has been the dominant factor in its upbuilding and development finds exemplification in his career.

LEE DAVID MOON

The steps in the orderly progression of Lee David Moon are easily discernible and indicate his faithfulness to duty, his diligence in the performance of every task assigned him and his ready recognition and utilization of the opportunities which have come to him for advancement. Mr. Moon is now general agent for northwestern Ohio for the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company. He was born in Jeffersonville, this state, October 4, 1874, a son of Asbery and Lydia Margaret (Mock) Moon, the former a farmer by occupation. Lee David Moon obtained a country school education and continued his studies in a town high school, after which he took up the profession of teaching, which he followed for a year. He later attended a business college at Cleveland, Ohio, and subsequently organized a business college, which he conducted for three years. On the expiration of that period he went on the road as a traveling salesman and manager for a typewriter company, devoting the succeeding four years of his life to that business. He then turned his attention to insurance, entering the employ of the New York Life Insurance Company, which he represented as agent for fourteen years and also as instructor of agents. He found this a congenial field, closely studied and thoroughly mastered the various phases and questions of the business, and is today recognized as one of the foremost insurance men of his section of the state. In March, 1915, there came to him the well merited appointment of general agent for

the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company in northwestern Ohio and he is now serving in that capacity.

On the 8th of October, 1901, Mr. Moon was united in marriage to Miss Lou Wilson of Cleveland, Ohio, and they have one son, Wilson Millen, born November 2, 1914. Mr. Moon is well known in connection with public interests of Toledo and as a factor in its social circles. He belongs to the Masons, the Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the Sylvania Golf Club and was one of the organizers of the luncheon club known as the Optimist, of which he has served as vice president from the beginning. He is likewise a trustee of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and his further interest in those forces which make for the uplift of the individual and the benefit of mankind is indicated by his service as vice president and one of the trustees of the North Toledo Community House. He studies closely all those problems which are of vital concern to the general welfare and in civic matters his influence is always on the side of right and progress.

WILSON N. HOOT

Wilson N. Hoot, secretary, manager and founder of the Florists & Gardeners Insurance Association, one of the most successful enterprises of the kind in Toledo, has devoted his life to the business in which he is now engaged, gaining that specialized knowledge which makes him an authority in his line of work. He was born in Findlay, Ohio, April 5, 1870, a son of Joseph and Phoebe (Dunn) Hoot, the former a native of Pennsylvania, while the latter was born in Wood county, Ohio, in 1843. In early life the father came to Ohio with his parents, who made the journey from Pennsylvania with a team and wagon, settling on a farm in Hancock county. On starting out in life for himself Joseph Hoot also took up the occupation of farming, but subsequently sold his land and turned his attention to the mason's trade. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hoot have passed away. They were the parents of nine children; Benjamin F., a resident of Findlay, Ohio; Elias, of Toledo; Albert, whose home is in Waterloo, Iowa; John D., a resident of Bowling Green, Ohio; M. J., of Deshler, this state; and Wilson N., Ira E., Alvin J. and A. H., all of whom are living in Toledo.

In the acquirement of an education Wilson N. Hoot attended the district schools of Wood county, Ohio, and for a year he was a student in the law school of the University of Michigan. He then entered the law office of E. H. Westenhaver, a well known attorney of North Baltimore, Ohio, with whom he remained for three years. When sixteen years of age he began selling insurance for the Phoenix Fire Insurance Company of Brooklyn, New York, and was at first located at Hoytville, Ohio, later going to Muncie, Indiana, as general manager for the Hoosier Insurance Company, with which he was identified until 1917. In July of that year he organized the Florists & Gardeners Insurance Association, of which he is secretary and manager. His keen sagacity, executive force and expert knowledge of the work have materially promoted the success of the enterprise, which has rapidly developed since its inception, and the business has already assumed large proportions. Mr. Hoot is also a director and secretary of the Fort Meigs Mutual Insurance Association and his influence is one of widening activity and strength in the field in which he is operating.

On the 2d of June, 1894, at Hoytville, Ohio, Mr. Hoot was married to Miss Frances M. Dye, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simpson Dye, well known farming

people of that section, and to this union three children have been born: Harry, the eldest, was born in Wood county, Ohio, May 8, 1896, and obtained his education at Muncie, Indiana. He is now master electrician for the Milburn Electric Company of Toledo; Elsie B. was born in Hoytville, Ohio, October 21, 1897, and also attended the schools of Muncie, Indiana; Rex D., the youngest in the family, was born at Hoytville in December, 1898. He likewise acquired his education at Muncie and is now engaged in farming in Lucas county, Ohio. He married Miss Ethel Ennis of Muncie.

When national issues are at stake Mr. Hoot casts his ballot in favor of the candidates of the republican party, but at local elections he supports the man whom he deems best fitted for the office to which he aspires, regardless of party affiliations. Fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Pythias. The word fail has never found a place in his vocabulary. Starting out in the business world at an early age, he has steadily worked his way upward, achieving that success which is the merited reward of industry, perseverance, capability and integrity. He is a man of resolute purpose and marked strength of character and his individual qualities are such as have gained for him warm and enduring regard.

MRS. HARRIET MAY BARLOW

Mrs. Harriet May Barlow, founder and promoter of the Old Ladies Home of Toledo, active in the organization of the Educational Club and of several other societies for cultural and intellectual advancement, is perhaps best known through her efforts in behalf of art and is a charter member of the Art Study Club, which constituted a part of the nucleus of the present Toledo Museum of Art.

Mrs. Barlow is a native of Monroe, Michigan, and a daughter of John W. and Lucretia (Comstock) May, the former a native of Hartford, Connecticut, and the latter of the state of New York and a descendant of an old family of New Canaan, Connecticut, representatives of old Puritan New England stock. Mrs. Barlow through her paternal line, is a descendant of Governor Robert Treat of the Connecticut Colony, and of Captain Hezekiah May of Wethersfield, Connecticut, of Revolutionary fame. She is also a lineal descendant of Captain Seymour Nichols of the American navy during the Revolution, and a great-granddaughter of Peter Comstock of New Canaan, Connecticut, who saw service in the Continental army. The parents settled in Monroe Michigan, and removed to Toledo during the early girlhood of their daughter Harriet, who was reared in one of the finest homes of the city, with all the advantages of wealth and social position. She became the wife of Anthony W. Barlow, who owned a large crockery business on Summit street, between Madison and Jefferson avenues. In 1887 Mrs. Barlow went to Europe and spent a year and a half abroad in the study of art. Her studies were carried on from the standpoint of a connoisseur, as she studied the history and technique of art, while still later she carried on the same line of study in New York, where it was said of her by a prominent art critic that "she knew more of art and pictures than any woman in America."

Returning to Toledo, Mrs. Barlow became one of the founders of the Art Club of this city and was its leader for three years. It was an organization of men and women formed for the study of art and to this end Mrs. Barlow was of the greatest assistance, for she had brought from Europe more than four hundred photographs,

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eight by ten inches, of the art treasures of the old world, including the finest specimens of architecture, sculpture and painting. She gave lectures before the Study Club on the art treasures which she had personally seen and her vivid descriptions were such as to bring the object strongly before her hearers.

Mrs. Barlow has spent a very busy life in a large and constructive way. Having a natural gift for leadership, a cultured mind and great executive ability, she very naturally became a force not only in connection with the cultural movements and intellectual progress of the city but also in its philanthropies. Her home on Madison avenue was the center of much of the social and club life of Toledo at an earlier period and wherever possible she rendered effective aid to those who needed assistance. She early became interested, while she was president of the Woman's Christian Association, in the cause of helpless women, as she found so many who needed aid. At her own expense she went to Cincinnati and to Cleveland to study plans in those cities of homes for friendless women, and having made a thorough survey, she returned to Toledo and called the advisory board and members of the Woman's Christian Association together and proposed the establishment of a home. While there was much opposition by those who said it could not be done, there were enough farseeing members to support the measure and a beginning was made. The upper floor of a house on Locust street was rented and furniture was donated for the different rooms by the churches of the city. Mrs. Barlow took many of the women into her own home at first, and the second day after arrangements were made for the home and before it was really in readiness, it had three inmates. This was the beginning of the present Old Ladies Home of Toledo and full credit is due to Mrs. Barlow for her unselfish pioneer work in this connection. The place was first called the Home for Friendless Women. During a campaign for funds for the project Mrs. Barlow and a companion met William J. Finlay and solicited a donation from him. His answer was "Not today," but he promised that they would hear from him later. Following this Mrs. Barlow made a trip to Europe and while there she learned that Mr. Finlay had donated the present Old Ladies Home. Mrs. Barlow immediately wrote Mr. Finlay a letter of thanks for his magnificent gift. Not long afterward, when Mr. Finlay was stricken and on his deathbed, only a few moments before he passed away he requested a friend to read this letter to him. Her interest in the project has never ceased and for a number of years from its beginning she was one of its guiding spirits, while her labors made her the founder of this noble institution.

Mrs. Barlow, associated with Mrs. W. W. Boles, Dr. Mary Law, Mrs. Lucy Harmon and Madam Burridge, became one of the founders of the Educational Club, one of the splendid organizations of the city. Mrs. Barlow was vice president thereof, served as chairman of the art department for four years and for two years held the office of president. This was first started as a neighborhood club with twenty-nine members, holding its meetings in Collingwood Hall. Mrs. Barlow also became one of the charter members of the Sorosis Club and served as its vice president. She has always made her home the center of attractive and ennobling social activity. She has entertained at some of the most beautiful social functions held in Toledo and every winter for years her beautiful residence at No. 1606 Madison avenue was opened to entertain the young people of the city at a dance.

There are indeed few of the important social and uplift interests in Toledo with which Mrs. Barlow has not been associated. She is a member of the Toledo Colony of New England Women, having become one of the charter members. This was

founded by Miss Temperance Reed, who was elected the first president, while Mrs. Barlow was chosen vice president. Miss Reed leaving the city, Mrs. Barlow did the work of the presiding officer and served as president two different terms and has held office during nearly all the period of her membership. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, a member of the Historical Society and of the Woman's Club of Toledo. She was invited by the noted Sorosis Club of New York to become a member thereof but declined. Her religious faith is indicated in her connection with the First Congregational church, of which she has been an active member of church and Sunday school, since her childhood. Perhaps her greatest interest, or that which has brought her most actively before the public, has been art, on which she has delivered talks and lectures at schools, churches and clubs, graduating exercises and on many occasions both in and out of Toledo. The Art Study Club, which she was so active in organizing and which awakened widespread interest in the city, culminated in the establishment of the Art Museum.

Mrs. Barlow had two very talented daughters. Mrs. Florence Ruthrauff of New York was considered one of the finest art critics in the eastern metropolis, as well as one of its most beautiful women. She passed away in 1916. Her two children are Wilbur Barlow Ruthrauff and Mrs. Harriet May Cassebeer, both of New York. The other daughter, Mrs. May Barlow Stearns, was a pupil of Marchesi of Paris, the only resident of Toledo who ever studied under the great master. She sang in opera under the name of Marie De Laneaux for many years and for three years was in concert work in Europe. At present she is devoting much time to writing on musical subjects and is also well known as an instructor and coach, as well as a translator of the French language. She has been an ardent worker for suffrage and also in the League of Women Voters. Thus the daughters, like the mother, have taken active part in furthering those interests and forces which have been most effective in promoting intellectual and cultural progress in Toledo and other sections of the country and in this busy, workaday world the value of such an influence cannot be overestimated.

W. G. NICHOLS

As the executive head of the W. G. Nichols Auditing Company of Toledo, W. G. Nichols is not only widely known in the commercial and financial circles of this city, but he is generally recognized as one of the most expert accountants in the state of Ohio. It is to his work as its chief that his present organization has reached its high standard and won a merited reputation for reliability. This firm and its organization is the fruit of twenty-five years of experience in the fields of auditing and accounting on which Mr. Nichols is an undisputed authority of first rank.

W. G. Nichols was born in Lima, Ohio, on the 22d of May, 1868, and is one of the five children in the family of W. G. and Mary C. (Watt) Nichols. He received his general education in the public and high schools of Lima and Kenyon College at Gambier, Ohio. His first experience in the business world was obtained in his father's book and stationery store. It has been over twenty-five years now since he entered upon the work in which he was destined to achieve noteworthy success—that of accountancy. In this field of endeavor he has had a wide experience that has well qualified him for his present work as the head of an auditing company.

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For many years he was chief auditor of the National Supply Company, having been with the Buckeye Supply Company prior to its merger with the National company. For the five years immediately preceding the formation of his present concern, he had charge of a chain of oil well supply stores for the Jarecki Manufacturing Company. In 1907 Mr. Nichols established the W. G. Nichols Auditing Company, with offices in the Nasby building. The success of his venture was immediate. Before long he was forced to seek larger quarters in order to care for his rapidly increasing business, moving to offices in the Ohio building, in which offices The Fifty Associates Company was started and systematized, while in 1916 he brought his staff to the present offices at 324-325 Nicholas building. While the firm does work in all the branches of business accounting and consultation, it has an unique feature in the installation of cost systems that are Mr. Nichols own creations and are applicable to any type of business institution with which he has come into contact in his long experience as an auditor and accountant. Another interesting phase of the work is that in connection with the income tax computations. Mr. Nichols' practice includes the interpretation of the income tax law and regulations and their applications to concrete instances, the assembling of tax data and the compilation of the reports to the government. Special audits, financial investigations, general business accounting and consultation work are all included in the activities of the company, which has the highest possible reputation for the excellence of its work. Some of the clients of the firm have placed Mr. Nichols on a retaining fee basis, by virtue of which agreement he furnishes them with consultation advice and analysis work at stipulated intervals during each fiscal year. These clients are included in the group of dominant commercial interests in Ohio and are concerns which have a volume of business that fully justifies the retention of an expert along these lines.

On the 14th of October, 1890, Mr. Nichols was united in marriage to Miss Nellie May Huss, and they maintain a home in Burnley Wood on River road in Toledo. In addition to his membership in numerous accounting societies, Mr. Nichols belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Exchange and Inverness clubs of this city. His religious preferences are indicated in his attendance at St. Paul's Methodist church.

JOSEPH GEORGE GLUCK

Joseph George Gluck, lawyer and educator, connected with St. John's University as an instructor in law, has practiced in Toledo since 1918, continuously proving his capability in crossing swords in forensic combat with the able representatives of the profession here. Mr. Gluck is a native of New York city, born February 10, 1889, of the marriage of Samuel and Pauline (Burger) Gluck. Reared in the eastern metropolis, he was graduated from the public schools there and afterward attended the College of New York City. His review of the broad field of business, with its limitless opportunities along many lines, led him to the determination to prepare for the bar and he became a student in the New York Law School, in which he completed the regular course of study in 1908, winning the LL. B. degree, at which time he was but nineteen years of age. On attaining his majority he removed to Indianapolis, Indiana, and in 1912 was admitted to the bar of that state. He then practiced at Indianapolis and South Bend, Indiana, for several years and in 1918 won admission to the Ohio bar, after which he located at Toledo. He was

licensed to practice in the United States district court in 1919 and through the intervening period has occupied a creditable position as a lawyer in the state and federal courts, gaining a good clientage and displaying marked ability in handling the litigation entrusted to his care. He was an instructor on partnership law, domestic relations and evidence in St. John's University of Toledo and he belongs to both the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations.

Mr. Gluck is identified with the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, with the Young Men's Christian Association and with the Commerce Club. In a word, he is in full sympathy with every project which is looking to advancement and progress along permanent lines and he ranks as a public-spirited citizen of Toledo.

J. HAROLD RYAN

J. Harold Ryan is the president and treasurer of the Arbuckle-Ryan Company, dealers in farm implements and conducting one of the largest business enterprises of this kind in northwestern Ohio. Mr. Ryan was born in Toledo, September 8, 1885, and is a son of Charles W. and Emma (Ford) Ryan who were natives of Erie, Pennsylvania, and of Ohio, respectively. The father arrived in Toledo in 1871 and became one of the organizers of the present Arbuckle-Ryan Company. Charles W. Ryan was first in partnership with John M. Arbuckle, under the name Arbuckle and Ryan. Later J. W. Ryan was admitted and the name changed to Arbuckle, Ryan & Company. In 1896 the business was incorporated as The Arbuckle-Ryan Company, under which style it has been known since that time. The enterprise has developed from a small business to one of vast importance and today is exceeded in volume by no undertaking of similar character in Toledo. The father remained an active factor in the control and management of the business until his death, which occurred on the 13th of February, 1912. He had long survived his wife, who passed away in Toledo, February 13, 1887.

J. Harold Ryan, their only child, spent his boyhood largely as a pupil in the graded schools of Toledo, and mastering the preliminary branches, was advanced to the Central high school. He afterward attended Yale University, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1908, on the completion of an academic course, and in that year he returned to Toledo, where he became associated with his father in business. He started at the beginning. Parental influence was not exerted to give him an easy berth. He thoroughly qualified by training and experience for his promotions and gradually worked his way upward, becoming eventually the president and treasurer of the company, filling the dual office since 1919. The company distributes threshing machinery of all kinds, together with road rollers, kerosene tractors, huskers, ensilage cutters, boilers and engines, machine supplies, belting and oils, gasoline engines and feed mills. Their business thus covers a broad scope and the house sustains a splendid reputation, by reason of the line of goods carried and the reliable business methods followed.

On the 15th of June, 1921, Mr. Ryan was married to Miss Frances Storer of Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Storer, representing a well known and prominent family of the city. Mr. Ryan votes with the republican party, having given his support thereto since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He attends the First Congregational church and is interested in all those forces which

make for uplift and progress. In all community affairs he displays a marked public spirit, while in his business connections he manifests those qualities which indicate that he is ready for any emergency and for any opportunity. Today at the head of a large business he is recognized as one of the forceful factors in the trade circles of Toledo and at all times he sustains the high and merited reputation which has ever been enjoyed by the Arbuckle-Ryan Company since its establishment.

EDWARD W. KELSEY, JR.

Edward W. Kelsey, Jr., a member of the law firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles, was born in Toledo, Ohio, September 29, 1885. He is a son of Edward W. and Elizabeth (Hall) Kelsey. His education was obtained in the public and high schools of Toledo, after which he studied law in Ohio State University, and was admitted to the bar in December, 1912. Since that time he has engaged in general practice in the state and federal courts. He belongs to the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar Associations.

On the 9th of September, 1914, Mr. Kelsey was married to Miss Charlotte Dwight of Toledo and they have two children, Dwight Edward and Edward (III). Fraternally Mr. Kelsey is a Mason and he belongs to several Greek letter societies, including Phi Delta Theta, Phi Delta Phi and Delta Sigma Rho. He has a wide acquaintance in Toledo, where his social qualities have gained for him many friends and he is popular in the circles in which he moves.

FRED H. FROEHLICH

Among those who are active in furthering Toledo's upbuilding and development is numbered Fred H. Froehlich, who as president of the Froehlich & Emery Engineering Company is controlling one of the leading construction enterprises of the city, and in the conduct of his business affairs he has displayed that spirit of initiative and progress which works for individual success and also constitutes a factor in public prosperity and advancement. He was born in Waterloo, Indiana, May 6, 1875, and his parents, Herman and Eva (Eckhart) Froehlich, were of European birth, coming to the United States in early life. The father devoted his attention to the manufacture of monuments, conducting a business of that character in Indiana and also in Toledo. His demise occurred in this city in 1919. The mother still makes her home in Toledo. In their family were two children: Edward C., a prominent attorney of this city; and Fred H.

In the acquirement of an education Fred H. Froehlich attended the grammar schools of Waterloo, Indiana, and a high school of Toledo, afterward becoming a student at the Rose Polytechnic School of Terre Haute, Indiana, from which he was graduated in 1899, on the completion of a course in electrical engineering. He at once entered upon the work of his profession, being employed by various firms until 1906, when he opened an office of his own in Toledo as an electrical and mechanical engineer. At a later period he organized the Froehlich & Emery Engineering Company, of which he is serving as president and treasurer, and they have been awarded many large contracts, their business now being one of extensive pro-

portions. Mr. Froehlich has a thorough knowledge of the scientific principles which underlie his profession and brings to his work untiring energy and marked skill.

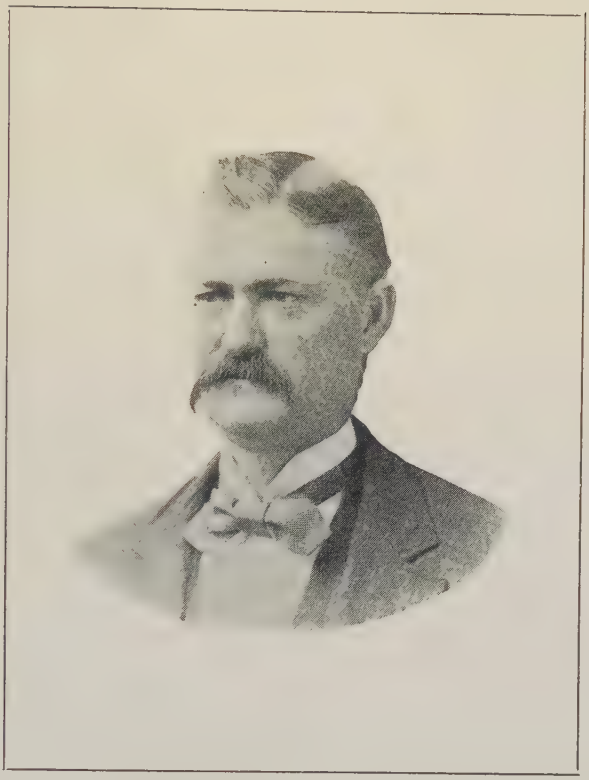
At Terre Haute, Indiana, on the 22d of June, 1903, Mr. Froehlich was married to Miss Bertha Kern, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kern, well known residents of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Froehlich have become the parents of two sons: Frederick Kern, who was born in 1907 and is now attending school; and Joseph Kern, whose birth occurred in 1917. In all matters of citizenship Mr. Froehlich is loyal, patriotic and public-spirited and during the World war he assisted the government by building plants for compressing hay. His political support is given to the republican party and as a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce he does all in his power to promote the industrial development of the city. He is a member of the American Association of Engineers, the American Association of Mechanical Engineers, and the local chapter of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and is a member of the Toledo Club, the Rotary Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Sylvania Golf Club, being also identified with the Masonic order. His life has been an active and useful one, crowned with successful achievement, and industry and ability have brought him to his present position of professional prominence.

LOUIS H. MATTHES

Death called Louis H. Matthes when he was in the midst of a most active business career and one in which he had demonstrated his force of character, his ability, his determination and indefatigable industry. Whatever success he achieved or enjoyed was attributable entirely to his own labor and he started out in the business world when but thirteen years of age. He was born in Toledo, May 25, 1857, his parents being John and Catherine (Krauss) Matthes, the former one of the early turnkeys at the police station.

Louis H. Matthes attended the public schools of Toledo for a time but acquired the greater part of his education in the school of experience. Though the training was hard and the lessons difficult, he made steady advancement in that school and throughout his life he remained of studious nature, reading widely and thinking deeply. He was a subscriber to the best magazines and papers and thus he kept in touch with the trend of modern thought and progress.

When a lad of but thirteen years he began work by helping to distribute handbills for different firms, including G. W. Bills, who said he would make a bill poster of the boy and started him out to do work of that character, so that he was soon in the business full-fledged. Thinking he would like to travel as poster for a circus, he joined the Forepaugh shows but soon learned that he was too much of a home boy for life on the road, and returned to Toledo. For twenty-four years he remained with Mr. Bills, working steadily upward and having charge of the business in the absence of his employer. In 1890 he was married and for a time engaged in the hotel business, but preferring the advertising business, soon returned to it. Steadily he progressed, finding at all times an able assistant in his wife, who was indeed a faithful helpmate to him, and to her cooperation he always attributed much of his success. In course of time he came to receive large contracts in the nature of his business and was recognized as one of the foremost in his line in Ohio. He became a member of The Exclusive



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Distributors Association and he had a wide acquaintance among the men of the profession throughout the state.

On the 6th of January, 1890, Mr. Matthes was married to Mrs. Jennie M. (Braddock) Ricard of Toledo, a daughter of Middleton and Mary Magdalene Braddock. Her father was a soldier of the Civil war, serving with Company B, One Hundred and Eightieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. By trade he was a silversmith and watchmaker. His daughter, Mrs. Matthes, was born at Newcomerstown, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, August 7, 1860.

In his political views Mr. Matthes was a republican and fraternally he was an Odd Fellow, prominent in the order, belonging to Northern Star Lodge, to Reed Encampment and to Canton Imperial, No. 22. He was also a member of the First Baptist church and his religious faith guided him in all the relations of life. He certainly deserved much credit for what he accomplished, as he started out in the business world empty-handed and worked his way upward through earnest purpose and persistency, making the best possible use of his opportunities and ever recognizing the fact that honesty is the best policy.

Mrs. Matthes became active in the distributing part of the work immediately after her husband embarked in the business independently. Her training and experience proved of great value to her at the time of the sudden death of Mr. Matthes, when she found herself with a large amount of work on hand. This was completed so entirely to the satisfaction of the advertisers that they have continued to renew contracts with her from year to year and many new customers are constantly being added to her long list of regular patrons. The business is conducted under the name of Matthes Company, Mrs. L. H. Matthes proprietor.

Mrs. Matthes, as was her husband, is a member of The Exclusive Distributors Association and is the only accredited member in Toledo. She is likewise one of the stockholders of the company. She belongs to the First Baptist church and she is a member of Central Grove Rebekah Lodge No. 660, in which she is a past Noble Grand and past deputy president. She is also a member of the Militant Ladies, No. 7, a member of the Protected Home Circle, No. 180, and of the ladies' auxiliary, Circle 70, of the Grand Army of the Republic. In October, 1922, she received the decoration of chivalry, the highest honor conferred upon a Rebekah. She is a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Toledo. While a most capable business woman, she also has deep interest in those activities which are of cultural worth and value to the community and which prove uplifting elements in the lives of many. Louis H. Matthes was called to his final rest on the 25th of January, 1916.

JOSEPH O. EPPSTEIN

Joseph O. Eppstein, attorney at law and one of the faculty of St. John's College of Law at Toledo, was born in this city May 31, 1889, his parents being Julius and Charlotte (Pulvermacher) Eppstein. At the usual age he became a pupil in the public schools and the passing years chronicled his steady advancement until he was graduated from the high school. His desire to become a member of the bar led him to matriculate as a law student in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, and there on the completion of the regular course he won his LL. B. degree as a member of the class of 1912. He entered alone upon general practice, and though

advancement at the bar is proverbially slow, no dreary novitiate awaited him. He has made a creditable name and place for himself in legal circles and has been connected with much important litigation heard in the courts of this district, while his capability is shown in the many favorable verdicts which he has won as the result of his clear and comprehensive presentation of his cause. For two years he served as special counsel with the attorney general for northwestern Ohio. Since 1920 he has been a representative of the law faculty of St. John's University and is now lecturer on muni corps in that institution.

Mr. Eppstein attended the Plattsburg (N. Y.) Military Training Camp in 1918 and was preparing for active service when the armistice was signed. His political allegiance has always been given to the democratic party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise and he is now the treasurer of the Lucas county democratic central committee. Elected to the state legislature, he served during the term of 1914-15 and in 1916 was renominated for the office but did not care to continue in the general assembly and declined again to become a candidate. He then resumed the private practice of law, which he has since followed in Toledo, concentrating his efforts and attention upon his professional duties, recognizing the fact that the sources of our power lie within ourselves, so that his close application and determined purpose have become salient features in winning promotion. At the outset of his career he recognized the fact that application is what counts and that every man has it in him to work if he wants to do so. He is ever faithful to his clients, fair to his adversaries and candid to the court and he enjoys the respect of his fellow members of the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations.

Mr. Eppstein was married in April, 1921, to Mirah Ziegler, and they have a daughter, Phyllis S., born September 10, 1922.

CLARENCE JAMES MASON

Clarence James Mason is the Toledo manager for the nationally known public accounting firm of Ernst & Ernst and is recognized by the commercial world as one of the leading accountants in this part of the state. He was born in Bellevue, Ohio, on the 23d of July, 1886, the son of James H. and Iona E. (Latham) Mason. After completing his elementary and preparatory education in the public and high schools of his birthplace, Mr. Mason entered Oberlin College at Oberlin, Ohio. At the close of his college days he went out to the Pacific coast, where from 1905 to 1909 he worked in Spokane, Portland and Seattle, gaining his first experience in bookkeeping and industrial accounting. Returning east in 1909 he became associated with the auditing department of the General Motors Corporation, then under the direction of Controller Alfred, where he gained an experience that has since proved very valuable to him in his work, for it gave him an understanding of the methods of accounting employed by one of the largest business organizations in existence. In the spring of 1913 he entered the employ of the firm of Ernst & Ernst in their Cleveland office, where his natural aptitude and diligence soon won for him the confidence of his superiors and he was promoted to the position of assistant manager. He was transferred to the Toledo office in December, 1918, as manager and has since developed the local branch into one of the best in the entire organization.

A pioneer in the field of accountancy, the firm of Ernst & Ernst was an important factor in establishing the high standards that characterize that profession through-

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out the country today. Through the main office in Cleveland and the branch offices in all the leading cities of the United States, the organization has its hand on the pulse of the industrial life of the nation, being connected intimately with more large business enterprises than any other one firm engaged in a similar line of work. To be employed by the firm in an important capacity is significant in itself, for it is the policy of the company to give its positions of trust only to men who have proven themselves worthy of such promotions. In fact, this policy has been so closely adhered to that no expansion has been undertaken at any time unless the right man for the new office or department was already in the organization and available for the new duties. Once a man has established his ability and won recognition from the heads of the firm, he is given every aid and assistance in carrying on the work assigned to him. The remarkable success of this company is explained by its policy, for it never undertakes a task that it cannot perform well and rapidly and is recognized by corporations and individual business men as being thoroughly competent and reliable. The business of the Toledo office is largely concerned with the affairs of large corporations such as the Willys-Overland Company, the Owens Bottle Company, the Paragon Refining Company, and the Bostwick-Braun Company. There are now twenty-eight people on the staff under Mr. Mason's direction, all of whom are members of Ernst & Ernst organization. They handle the various departments of the business, which include audits, cost systems, income tax and business refinancing and organization.

Mr. Mason and Miss Mary Ellen Sweeney of Bellevue, Ohio, were married in February, 1914, and have become the parents of two children, James H. and Mary Ellen.

Since coming to Toledo Mr. Mason has become identified with the work of the Chamber of Commerce. He belongs to the Toledo Club and the Inverness Club, and is a Mason of high rank, being a Knight Templar and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine.

CHAMPION SPARK PLUG COMPANY

The Champion Spark Plug Company was incorporated in Massachusetts early in the year of 1910 by Robert A. Stranahan, Frank D. Stranahan, and their mother, Elizabeth W. Stranahan, for the purpose of manufacturing and marketing Champion spark plugs. Although started in Boston, Massachusetts, the company moved almost immediately to Toledo, Ohio, where it located on the second floor of the Holmes Snow Flake Laundry building, occupying just half the one floor, or about two thousand square feet of space, and employing about forty people.

The company, under direct charge and supervision of Robert Stranahan, was successful from the beginning and within a year's time had developed to such an extent that it justified Frank Stranahan in giving up his other connections in Boston and joining his brother in Toledo, to devote his entire time to the Champion Spark Plug Company. These two brothers divided all operations between them and forged ahead at such a rapid pace that the second year made necessary the construction of their own factory building, which is today a small unit in the large Champion manufacturing plant located on the New York Central tracks, near Dorr street at Avondale and Upton avenues.

An idea of the growth of this concern can be gained from the fact that the first year's output ran from a beginning of just a few hundred plugs a day up to a

thousand plugs a day in 1910. The business doubled practically every year, and in 1917 a production had been reached of over one hundred thousand spark plugs per day, and today the plant is turning out in the neighborhood of thirty million spark plugs per year to meet the tremendous popular demand for this article. Champion spark plugs represent nearly two-thirds of the spark plug market of not only the United States but of the whole world. They outsell all other makes combined and this holds good also in most every foreign country as well as in our own. There is an average consumption of two Champion spark plugs per year for every car owned throughout the United States, England, France, Belgium, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Italy, Spain, Portugal, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, China and Japan, and practically everywhere. The export business of this concern runs close to a million dollars a year.

The Toledo plant today represents an investment of over six million dollars, occupies about two hundred and fifty thousand feet of floor space and employs in the neighborhood of one thousand people in the manufacture of Champion spark plugs exclusively.

The Champion insulators used in all of these plugs are made in Detroit by the Champion Porcelain Company, a Michigan corporation, which occupies about two hundred thousand feet of floor space, employs eight hundred people and is owned outright by the Champion Spark Plug Company.

In Canada there is a separate corporation, namely: The Champion Spark Plug Company of Canada, Limited, employing approximately two hundred people in the exclusive manufacture of Champion spark plugs, which supplies Canada, England and the English possessions.

The Champion Spark Plug Company has sales offices in London and Paris as well as in the leading centers of the United States and travels its own salesmen throughout the world.

The product today represents the very highest quality that has been attained in this industry, and yet is sold at the lowest price at which a spark plug can be purchased, due to the tremendous production and the fact that every single operation on a Champion spark plug is performed in its own plant, absolutely nothing being purchased by the company except the raw materials, such as bar steel, brass, copper, asbestos and clays. The company even owns mines which produce the basic material from which the Champion insulator core is made.

The Champion spark plug is the most widely sold automotive equipment or accessory made. It is widely advertised not only throughout the United States, but newspapers, magazines and sign-boards are used in every market throughout the civilized world.

Champion spark plugs are well protected with registered trade marks and numerous patents, Robert A. Stranahan being the original inventor, designer and patentee. Today the company, while doing business as a corporation is in effect a partnership, the two brothers, Robert A. Stranahan and Frank D. Stranahan, and their mother, Elizabeth W. Stranahan, being the real owners. The complete personnel of the company is: Robert A. Stranahan, president; M. C. Dewitt, vice president; Frank D. Stranahan, treasurer; W. W. Hoffman, secretary; F. B. Caswell, sales manager, jobbing division; H. E. Butcher, sales manager, manufacturing division; C. E. Dewar, superintendent; O. C. Rohde, chief engineer; G. B. Nason, advertising manager; J. F. Barr, purchasing agent; H. C. Wildesen, foreign sales manager; I. F. Bush, assistant, sales department. These latter Toledoans are also stockholders in the Champion Spark Plug Company today.

During the European war this company furnished for the United States government a great amount of material, including thirty-seven millimeter shells and fuses of both the high and low explosive types, together with several million Champion spark plugs for equipment of aeroplanes, tanks, tractors, trucks, submarine chasers, motorcycles, etc.

PERCY F. PARROTT

Percy F. Parrott, who is concentrating his attention upon the practice of law, is most skilful in handling his cases and has won a prominent position at the Toledo bar. He was born in Defiance county, Ohio, September 8, 1886, and his parents were John O. and Laura (Hutchinson) Parrott, also natives of the Buckeye state. For many years the father followed the occupation of farming in Defiance county and later he established his home in Toledo, passing away in this city in 1907, while the mother's demise occurred in 1918. In their family were four children: Dale O., who met death on the battle fields of France during the World war; Guy, a resident of Sylvania, Ohio; Arthur, who is living in Los Angeles, California; and Percy F.

Percy F. Parrott obtained his education in the public schools of Defiance county, Ohio, and in this city, completing an academic course in Toledo University, which conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1911, while two years later he was graduated from the law department of the Ohio State University. He had previously taken up the study of stenography, in which he acquired expert ability, and for five years was engaged in that work, doing court reporting, while later he was secretary to the service director for the city of Toledo. He is now successfully following his profession and has been accorded a liberal clientele. He is a strong and able lawyer, clear and concise in his presentation of a case, logical in his deductions and sound in his reasoning, and his standing before the court is an enviable one.

On the 22d of February, 1919, Mr. Parrott was married to Miss Loretta E. Becker, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Becker of this city, and they have a daughter, Jeanne, who was born in 1920. Mr. Parrott is a member of the National Shorthand Association and fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Pythias and the Masonic order, belonging to the lodge and chapter. Possessing an analytical, well trained mind and being a thorough and conscientious student, he is fully alive to the important duties of his profession and is deserving of the high esteem in which he is held by his fellowmen.

GEORGE SAMUEL MOSS

During a period of nineteen years George Samuel Moss has engaged in law practice as a representative of the Ohio bar. He came to Toledo in 1904 and since that time has followed his profession here. He was born in Williams county, Ohio, June 8, 1881, his parents being William and Malinda (Clay) Moss. His youthful lays were largely devoted to the acquirement of a public school education in his native county, supplemented by a course of study in the Fayette Normal University, from which he was graduated in 1899. In his broad literary course, therefore, he laid the foundation upon which to build the superstructure of professional knowl-

edge. Determining upon a professional career, and narrowing his choice down to the law, he then began preparation for practice as a student in the Ohio Northern University, in which he completed the regular course and won his LL. B. degree as a member of the class of 1903. He then located for practice in Toledo, Ohio, and his analytical mind, his quick perception, his stability of purpose and his energetic and persistent action, have been dominant factors in his steady climb to success. He has membership with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations.

On the 2d of November, 1916, Mr. Moss was united in marriage to Miss Kathryn Poole.

GEORGE P. KING

George P. King, proprietor of a letter shop, in which connection he is now conducting a large and growing multigraphing and mailing business, has spent his life in Toledo, his birth having occurred in this city on the 24th of July, 1874. He is a son of Jabez Wood and Elizabeth (Phillips) King. At the usual age he entered the public schools and passed through consecutive grades to the Toledo high school, from which he was graduated with the class of 1893. This constituted his training for life's practical and responsible duties and upon the broad foundation of his liberal public school education he has built the structure of success. Improving his opportunities as the years have gone by, in 1907 he established a letter shop for the conduct of a multigraphing and mailing business, which he has thoroughly systematized and developed along substantial lines until it is now one of the important concerns of the kind in the city, his patronage being most gratifying.

Mr. King belongs to the Pilgrim Congregational church, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and also of the Rotary Club. In these connections are indicated the principles that govern his life and the activities which claim his efforts and energies outside of business. He is actuated by a most progressive spirit and his devotion to the general welfare is one of the paramount qualities in his nature. Mr. King's hobby is music. He was baritone soloist at several large Toledo churches before the demands of his business made it necessary for him to relinquish this activity. His voice, however, is now often heard in the Rotary Club and other organizations with which he is associated.

ADDISON Q. THACHER

Addison Q. Thacher, president of the A. Q. Thacher Company, contractors and marine divers of Toledo, is a representative of one of the old and well known families of this city. He was here born January 3, 1876, and is a son of Horace Coleman and Arabella Amy (Dando) Thacher, both of whom were natives of Ohio and spent their lives in this state. For many years they resided in Toledo, where Mr. Thacher was for thirteen years city engineer. Later he became well known in the diving contracting business as senior partner in the Thacher & Breyman Company. He built up a business of extensive proportions in this connection, conducting it for an extended period, but both he and his wife have passed away. They

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were the parents of five children: George B., Addison Q., Clarence C., Mrs. William Lyons and Mrs. Stacy McNary, all living in Toledo.

The early boyhood of Addison Q. Thacher was largely devoted to the acquirement of a public school education in Toledo and later he enjoyed the benefit of a course in the University of Michigan. There he devoted his attention to civil engineering and thoroughly qualified for work of that character. Following his return to Toledo he became identified with various engineering projects of more or less importance, gradually working his way to the front in the field of his chosen calling, and at the time of his father's death he took over the diving contracting business, organizing the A. Q. Thacher Company, of which he has since been the president. This company does most important work of the nature indicated and has solved many important problems of contract work, carrying forward to successful completion at all times whatevery they undertake.

On the 15th of May, 1919, Mr. Thacher was married to Miss Emma Brunner of Defiance, Ohio, and in Toledo they have an extensive circle of warm friends, the hospitality of many attractive homes being cordially extended to them. They are members of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church and the rules that further guide Mr. Thacher in his relations with his fellowmen are indicated in his membership in the Masonic fraternity, in which he has taken the degrees of both York and Scottish rites. He belongs also to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and he is well known as a devotee of outdoor sports, being now president of the Toledo Athletic Club and a member of the Maumee River Yacht Club. His political endorsement is given to the republican party, but he never seeks or desires office, preferring to concentrate his energies and attention upon his business affairs, which have constantly grown in volume until heavy demands are now made upon him in connection with the contracting and diving business. He has thrown mediocrity into the discard, prompted by a laudable ambition that seeks the attainment of the best. He has therefore reached a high point of efficiency and his business is today one of gratifying proportions.

OSCAR WEBER

During the twenty-two years of his residence in Toledo, Oscar Weber has devoted his attention to the fire insurance business and is now president of the Ohio Agency Company, which has many clients and is doing a business of gratifying proportions. Mr. Weber comes to the Buckeye state from New York city, where his birth occurred July 3, 1867, his parents being Edwin and Augusta Weber. The father was an importer in men's furnishing goods in the east.

In New York, while spending his youthful days under the parental roof, Oscar Weber pursued a public school education, while later he entered Harvard University and within the classic walls of that institution was graduated in 1892. For five years after the completion of his college course he was engaged in bookkeeping and then went on the road as a traveling salesman, being thus employed until he came to Toledo in 1900. Here he has since engaged in the insurance business and is now representative of several of the old and thoroughly reliable fire insurance companies. He conducts his interests under the name of the Ohio Agency Company and has gained a large clientele. He is the president of this company and his

executive force, systematic methods and indefatigable energy have been salient features in the attainment of success.

In November, 1898, Mr. Weber was married to Miss Nettie Andrews of Fulton county, Ohio. He finds his recreation in fishing and automobiling and his endorsement of the high principles of Masonry is indicated by his membership in the lodge and the various Scottish Rite bodies up to and including the consistory. He is also a member of the Mystic Shrine and he takes a very active part in Masonic work, exemplifying in his life the beneficent spirit of the craft. He possesses a social, genial nature and many qualities which make for popularity and have won him many friends during the period of his residence in Toledo.

WARREN JOSEPH DUFFEY

Warren J. Duffey, one of Toledo's native sons, possesses all the requisites of an able lawyer and has established his position among the successful and representative members of the bar of this city. He was born January 24, 1886, and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Duffey, who reside at No. 2384 Fulton street, Toledo. Since March 17, 1890, his father has been associated with the New York Life Insurance Company and in business circles of the city he is well known and highly esteemed.

Mr. Duffey attended the Toledo public schools and later became a student at St. John's College of this city, which conferred upon him the B. A. degree in 1907, while in the following year he received the M. A. degree from that institution. He next entered the law department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and was graduated from that institution of learning in June, 1911, with the LL. B. degree. In the same month he was admitted to the bar of both Ohio and Michigan; and coming to Toledo, he began practice with O. S. Brumback, later forming a partnership with Henry A. Conlin. This relationship was continued until Mr. Conlin's death on December 22, 1913, and since that time Mr. Duffey has been alone in practice. Like all men who have achieved success in the best sense of the term, he has been an indefatigable worker, and notwithstanding the breadth and exactness of his legal learning and his facility in applying the same, he has never been known to present a case before court or jury without preparation as thorough as time and means rendered possible. This has been one of the secrets of his success and his clientele has steadily increased, his law business now being of a most important character. He is attorney for the Mutual Savings Association, one of Toledo's oldest building and loan organizations, and is also serving on its board of directors.

Mr. Duffey was married August 28, 1913, to Miss Marie L. Sawkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Sawkins of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Duffey have four children: Marie Ruth, Warren Francis, Natalie Grace and Richard Comerford. Mr. Duffey's residence is at No. 401 Rockingham street. Mr. Duffey is a Catholic in religious faith and has membership with the St. Francis de Sales cathedral. He is also a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Club, the Toledo Commerce Club and the Inverness Club. His professional relations are with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations and he is also a member of the University of Michigan Alumni Association.

Mr. Duffey served as a member of the general assembly of Ohio from Lucas county during the year 1913-14, having been elected as a democrat. As a legislator he was author of the new mechanic's lien law, and he has frequently discussed and

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explained the general features of this important statute. He also did important work in securing the regulation of the sale and traffic in cocaine, morphine and other habit-forming drugs, and thus brought Ohio legislation upon the subject into harmony with more recent federal enactments. This legislation was of particular interest to Toledo, and it may be stated that the so-called "dope" law was fought through to the supreme court and has finally been declared valid. Representative Duffey also earnestly supported the passage of the reform judiciary bill, and while in the legislature was chairman of the committee on ways and means, and a member of the committees on codes, courts and procedure, manufactures and commerce, and public utilities. During 1917 and 1918 he ably represented the fourth ward in the city council of Toledo. Mr. Duffey is always ready to give his support to measures for the promotion of the public welfare and is loyal to all those interests which make for honorable manhood and progressive citizenship. Prompted by a laudable ambition, he has made continuous progress in his profession, and his fellow practitioners unite in bearing testimony to his high character and superior mind.

DANIEL SEGUR, Jr.

No student of history can carry his investigations far into the annals of Toledo without learning how closely and prominently associated has been the Segur family with the development and upbuilding of this city. Daniel Segur, Jr., was born in Toledo, on Western avenue, at the present site of the new high school, January 17, 1859, his parents being Daniel and Rosa L. Segur, to whom extended reference is made elsewhere in this work. He acquired his early education here, being tutored at home in early life, while later he became a high school pupil. At this time the family was living on his father's farm, devoted to tobacco culture. After the rather sudden death of his father, his mother became an editorial contributor to the Toledo Blade and throughout the years since Daniel Segur, Sr., first came to Toledo, representatives of the name have been closely associated with all that has marked the city's progress and development.

In the year 1876 Daniel Segur, Jr., began working in his father's drug store and closely devoted himself to the mastery of the business in principle and detail. He did with thoroughness everything that he undertook and thus his labors were always a contributing factor to the success of any enterprise with which he was associated. After leaving the drug store he became secretary of the old Summit and Broadway street car line, with offices on Broadway, and when he left that position he was called to the secretaryship of the board of waterworks, with which he was thus connected for some time. Subsequently he became secretary of the National Milling Company and later occupied a similar official position with the firm of Bostwick & Braun. On severing the latter connection he was made secretary and treasurer of the Simmons Hardware Company and became one of its stockholders.

On the 3d of August, 1880, Mr. Segur was married in Toledo to Miss Carrie M. Sawyer, a daughter of B. F. and Caroline (Weaver) Sawyer. Their home was blessed with the presence of two children: Frank Daniel, who married Myrtle Baker; and Daniel K., who wedded Catherine C. Cresswell, by whom he has two children, Robert Daniel and Constance Virginia.

In his religious views Mr. Segur was liberal but gave his support to all those agencies which he deemed of essential value in promoting the moral development of

the community. His political allegiance was given to the democratic party and he was a member of Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. Locally he was connected with the Board of Commerce and with the Credit Men's Association and thus he became actively associated with organized movements for the advancement of trade, for the extension of Toledo's commercial relations and for the upholding of its civic standards. Like his father, he was keenly interested in everything that pertained to the city's welfare and his name was long synonymous with movements for the general good. Mr. Segur passed away June 11, 1917.

JOHN W. RUPP

For over forty years John W. Rupp has devoted his attention to the drug business, in which he has won a gratifying measure of success, and he has gained a position of leadership in this field of activity, being president of The Rupp-Bowman Company of Toledo, in which connection he is controlling extensive interests. He was born in Whitehouse, Ohio, September 8, 1852, a son of Jacob and Barbara (Kuebler) Rupp, who were natives of Germany. In early life they came to the United States, settling in Lucas county, Ohio, where the father successfully followed the occupation of farming for many years. He later became a resident of Toledo. His demise occurred in this city in 1888. The mother passed away in 1896. They became the parents of six children: David, who is living at Haskins, Ohio; Jacob, whose home is at Whitehouse, this state; Mrs. Lena Fells and Mrs. Libby Schultz, both of Toledo; Mrs. Rosella Collie, who is now residing in China; and John W.

John W. Rupp acquired his education in the public schools of Whitehouse, Ohio, and in 1870 he came to Toledo, securing work in the old Bee Hive store. From this city he went to Waterville, Ohio, and was there employed in a general store for seven years, working his way up to a position of responsibility. In 1877 he resigned and with the capital which he had accumulated from his earnings, entered the drug business in Waterville, later opening a chain of stores in Toledo. He continued to operate all of these establishments until 1910, when he sold the Magnolia avenue and Bancroft street stores in Toledo and in the following year he also disposed of his original store in Waterville. In 1899 he had removed with his family to Toledo and in 1910 he organized the Rupp-Bowman Company, of which he has since been president, the store being located at No. 319 Superior street, where the firm is conducting one of the leading drug houses in the city. In addition to a complete line of drugs and chemicals they also handle surgical instruments, physicians', nurses' and hospital supplies, laboratory equipment and optical goods. The firm has ever adhered to the master formula of honor, integrity and trustworthiness and the name has become recognized as a full guarantee for purity and reliability in connection with pharmaceutical supplies. Mr. Rupp has an expert knowledge of the drug business, gained through long experience and close study, and his progressive spirit and executive ability have enabled him to develop an enterprise of large proportions.

At Waterville, Ohio, in April, 1887, Mr. Rupp was married to Miss Mildred Utz, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Utz, prominent residents of that city, and they have become the parents of three children: Mrs. Bernice Marleau, the eldest, was born at Waterville in 1889 and acquired her education in the schools of that

place and also in Toledo. She is now a resident of Windsor, Canada, and has become the mother of three children, Jean, Margaret and Lois; Walding G., born at Waterville in 1895, attended the Toledo public schools and the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and is now a director of The Rupp-Bowman Company; Paul F., who was born in Waterville, March 28, 1899, also completed a course in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and is connected with The Rupp-Bowman Company.

In his political views John W. Rupp is an independent republican and he is a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, whose carefully formulated plans for the development of the business interests of the city receive his hearty support. He is identified with the Wakeman Lodge of Masons at Waterville and has been connected with the order since 1879, when he joined Northern Light Lodge at Maumee, Ohio, being one of its oldest members. Energy, perserverance and thrift are recognized the world over as the foundation of success and these three qualities are possessed by Mr. Rupp, who fully deserves the honor that is accorded the fortunate individual who has fought and won in the great battle of life. His labors have aided materially in promoting the commercial prestige of Toledo and in business circles of the city his standing is of the highest.

PAUL GETTUM

Paul Gettum is probably the best known man in his line of business in Toledo. His merchant tailoring establishment, at No. 715 Madison avenue, caters to the highest class of trade, and the large and exclusive business he has developed is a tribute to his skill and correct methods.

Mr. Gettum enjoys the distinction of having for fifteen years been the tailor for Hon. Warren G. Harding and of making his outfit after he was elected to the presidency. This alone would indicate the high character of the work turned out under his direction and from the beginning of his residence in Toledo he has enjoyed substantial success that places him with the representative business men of this city.

JEROME EARLE CARR

Jerome Earle Carr, engaged in the brokerage business in Toledo, is a native of Mount Lookout, Ohio, born May 10, 1880, his parents being Jerome Samuel and Martha (Lightfoot) Carr. The father devoted his life to the work of the ministry as a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and was an influential factor in building up the moral stamina of the communities in which he lived.

Jerome E. Carr of this review obtained a public school education in Cincinnati and at Orrville, Ohio, and when his textbooks were put aside obtained a clerkship with a railroad company, spending four years in that connection. He was afterward with the Cable Piano Company at Toledo for three and a half years and then organized the J. E. Carr Brokerage Company, under which name he has since engaged in handling stocks, bonds and real estate. He has also been engaged in colonization work in connection with lands owned by the Santa Fe Railroad and his business has assumed gratifying proportions.

Mr. Carr was married to Miss Hattie M. Clark of Toledo on the 4th of April, 1904, and they have become parents of a daughter and a son: Evelyn Mary; and Corwin Clark, born August 29, 1912, in Toledo. Mr. Carr has membership with the Chamber of Commerce and manifests active interest in those organized efforts which are looking to the development and upbuilding of the city and the maintenance of high civic standards. He belongs to Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, A. F. & A. M., and he is also a member of the Toledo Automobile Club—connections that indicate much of the nature of his interests and the rules that govern his activities. His residence is at No. 2502 Foraker avenue.

THOMAS W. REEVES

Thomas W. Reeves, a representative of a family that has long figured prominently in connection with the industrial development of Toledo, is well known in business circles of the city as general superintendent of the boiler plant of the Skeldon Engineering Company and his broad experience along mechanical lines well qualifies him for the duties of this responsible position. He was born in Peterboro, Canada, September 26, 1886, a son of Richard and Maria (Woodsend) Reeves, the father a native of Toronto, Canada, and the mother a native of England. In early life she emigrated to Canada, where her marriage occurred, and about 1891 Mr. and Mrs. Reeves established their home in Toledo. He had previously established the Marine Boiler Works at Ann Arbor, Michigan, but decided that this city offered a better field for his operations and conducted his business on Water street until 1901, when he built the Marine Boiler Works, which is now a part of the Toledo Ship Building Company. Later he disposed of the plant and became connected with the McNaull Boiler Manufacturing Company, with which he continued until 1921, since which time he has lived retired in this city. The mother also survives and they have become the parents of three children: William G., Thomas W. and Richard G., all of whom are residents of Toledo.

Following his graduation from the Central high school of this city Thomas W. Reeves started to work in his father's boiler shop, where he was employed until 1906, during which period he acquired a thorough knowledge of the boiler manufacturing business. He then became connected with the engineering department of the Vulcan Steam Shovel Company and when the interests of that firm were taken over by the Bucyrus Company his services were retained by the latter organization, with which he was identified until 1912. The next year was spent at Marion, Ohio, in the engineering department of the Marion Steam Shovel Company, and after returning to Toledo he entered the employ of the McNaull Boiler Company. This has since been merged with the Skeldon Engineering Company and Mr. Reeves is now acting as general superintendent of their boiler plant. He has an expert knowledge of the work of which he has charge and has succeeded in maintaining a high degree of efficiency in the operation of his department, which is a most important one.

At Windsor, Canada, on the 24th of August, 1910, Mr. Reeves was married to Miss Esther A. Fitzgerald, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fitzgerald of Toledo, and they have four children: Thomas E., who was born in June, 1911, and is attending the Central school on the east side; Richard G., who was born in Febru-

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ary, 1914, and is also a public school pupil; Ruth C., born December 12, 1916; and Robert W., who was born in August, 1919.

Mr. Reeves is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and his political support is given to the men and measures of the republican party. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and fraternally is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to Rubicon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Meigs Chapter, R. A. M., of which he is a past high priest; and also to Toledo Council, R. and S. M. Throughout his career he has closely applied himself to the work in hand and has steadily advanced as he has proven his worth and ability, each forward step bringing him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. He is highly regarded in business circles of the city and has many friends whose esteem he has won and retained by reason of his high principles and fine personal qualities.

HERMAN BAMBERGER, M. D.

Dr. Herman Bamberger, arriving in America when a youth in his teens, started out in the business world in Cincinnati, Ohio, as clerk in a drug store and this constituted his initial step toward preparation for the practice of medicine and surgery, in which he has now long been successfully engaged. Born in Germany on the 1st of June, 1867, he is a son of Barnard and Lena (Karn) Bamberger, who spent their lives in that country, where both passed away. They had a family of three children and the daughters, Mrs. Amelia Soloman and Mrs. Gertrude Silverman, remain in Germany.

Herman Bamberger first attended the schools of his native country to the age of seventeen years, when he determined to try his fortune in the new world and came alone to America. He made his way to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he secured employment in a drug store, continuing his work there until he had saved enough money to enable him to attend school. He then entered the Columbus (Ohio) Medical College, now the Ohio State Medical College, and still later he attended the University of Louisville at Louisville, Kentucky, from which he was graduated with the M. D. degree is a member of the class of 1889.

Dr. Bamberger then went to the Northwest and began practice among the mining camps of northwestern Montana, where he continued to follow his profession until 1895. He then returned to Louisville, Kentucky, where he opened an office and engaged in practice for three years, while in 1898 he removed to Toledo, where he has now successfully practiced for a period of almost a quarter of a century, giving his attention to general medical practice and to office work. He has at all times kept abreast with the trend of modern professional thought and advancement and is thoroughly familiar with the latest researches and discoveries of the profession. He belongs to the Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

On the 12th of July, 1898, Dr. Bamberger was married to Miss Fannie Silverman of Gallipolis, Ohio, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Silverman, representing one of the pioneer families of that place. Dr. and Mrs. Bamberger had two children: Esther, born in Toledo in 1899 and educated in the Scott high school and Toledo University; and Samuel J., who died at the age of seventeen years and three months, becoming a victim of influenza and passing away after an illness of three days. Since becoming an America citizen Dr. Bamberger has exercised his right

of franchise in support of the republican party and fraternally he is connected with the Woodmen of the World. He has worked his way upward entirely through his own efforts and is truly a self-made man, nor has he ever had occasion to regret his determination to leave Germany to become an American citizen.

GEORGE E. LORENZ

To a notable position in manufacturing and mercantile circles did George E. Lorenz attain and then in the last few years of his life he lived retired, enjoying in well earned rest the fruits of his former business activity. While commercial interests took him ofttimes and for long periods to the east, he always regarded Toledo as his home. He was born in Germantown, Montgomery county, Ohio, January 1, 1845, his parents being Peter and Sophia (Billmire) Lorenz. In the paternal line he was descended from Huguenot ancestry, his father being a native of Strasburg, then as now a part of the French republic. He was a designer and pattern maker in his native country and by reason of his skill and ability was able to command good prices for his service. He was also for a time a member of the French cavalry and his father was a brigade commander in the French army for a term, with headquarters at Strasburg. After crossing the Atlantic to the new world Peter Lorenz was married at Harpers Ferry to Sophia Billmire, who was there born. He did not reenter business circles in America but lived retired from active participation in commercial interests. He died in the year 1876, while the mother, long surviving him, passed away at Germantown, Ohio, in 1907, having reached the advanced age of ninety-seven years. They were the parents of seven children.

George E. Lorenz completed his preliminary education in the schools of Germantown and afterward attended the State Normal School at Lebanon, Ohio, from which institution he was in due time graduated. He next entered the University of Michigan as a member of the class of 1867 but did not complete his course there, owing to his anxiety to enter the business world. He made the manufacture of perfumes his life work, although for a time he was interested in the development of the oil industry and he was also one of the organizers of the Crystal Refinery, now the plant of the Sun Oil Company of Toledo. In 1864, however, he began the manufacture of perfumes in Toledo, establishing the business in a small way but gradually developing and enlarging it until his position was one of leadership among the perfume manufacturers of America and the world. He continued to carry on business in Toledo until 1908, when he removed his plant to New York in order to be in closer touch with the large foreign and eastern trade which had been developed by the company. For many years Mr. Lorenz continued as active manager of the business, but later a corporation was formed under the name of the George Lorenz Company, of which he became president and so continued until he retired from active connection with the enterprise. During the years 1903 and 1904 he was also president of the Manufacturing Perfumers' Association of the United States and an active member of the American Society of Microscopists. With the development of the business he always maintained the same high standards as to manufacture and at the Centennial Exposition held in Philadelphia in 1876 the company was awarded the Universal Medal. Two years later, at the Paris Exposition, in competition with the best foreign and

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American products, Mr. Lorenz was granted the first and only medal that had ever been awarded an American perfumer by a foreign government. Eleven years later, at the Paris Exposition of 1889, the company again succeeded in winning the highest award and in recognition of his standing among perfume manufacturers Mr. Lorenz, in 1893, was chosen as the expert to judge of the perfumes exhibited at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago. In 1900 he was appointed by the French government to serve on the international jury and his perfumes were placed "Hors Concours," or beyond competition, probably the highest honor that could be awarded. His was a nature that could never be content with mediocrity. He must move steadily forward, actuated by the spirit of progress and imbued with the determination that never stopped short of the successful accomplishment of his purpose. Thus it was that he gained not only a national but an international leadership in his line of manufacturing.

On the 20th of September, 1866, Mr. Lorenz was united in marriage to Miss Martha Jane Phillips of Lebanon, Ohio, in which city she was born and reared. They became the parents of a daughter, Daisy B., now the wife of Arthur E. Baker of Toledo. She is a graduate of the Toledo high school and of Vassar College at Poughkeepsie, New York, and by her marriage she has become the mother of four children: William; Martha B., who married Webb C. Hayes, Jr., and is the mother of a son, Webb C. Hayes (III); Arthur Lorenz; and Gerald V. C. Baker.

In his political views Mr. Lorenz was always a stalwart supporter of democratic principles and was at one time a member of the city council of Toledo from the seventh ward, his service covering two terms, or four years. He later received the democratic nomination for the state legislature, but on account of the pressing demands of his business interests he declined to become a candidate. During the presidency of Grover Cleveland, Mr. Lorenz was appointed postmaster of Toledo and continued to fill the office for four years. While he lived in a republican neighborhood, he always received a very flattering majority, indicative of the confidence reposed in him and kindly regard felt for him by his fellow townsmen. He was at one time a trustee of the Miami Children's Home and was treasurer of the Toledo branch of the Chicago University Extension. He took deep and helpful interest in everything that pertained to intellectual as well as material progress and his life was a valuable asset to the community in which he lived. He passed away May 13, 1916, his death being the occasion of deep regret to his business associates and his many friends. He had always occupied his time wisely and well and reaped the rewards of labor and attained to high position in the regard of all.

JOHN JAY WELKER, D. D. S.

Dr. John Jay Welker, president of the Northern Ohio Dental Society for the year 1922, has been engaged in the active practice of his profession for more than nineteen years, his course being marked by that steady progress which is the visible indication of constantly expanding powers and a mastery of the problems that continually present themselves for solution in any profession or line of business. Moreover, Dr. Welker has always held to high professional ideals and closely followed the ethical teachings having to do with his chosen life work. His story had

its beginning on the 15th of January, 1875, when he first opend his eyes to the light of day in Bryan, Ohio, his parents being John M. and Julia Ann (Myers) Welker, the former a merchant of that place.

At the usual age John Jay Welker became a pupil in the public schools of his native city and afterward attended the Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois, where he matriculated as a dental student and was there graduated with the class of 1903. In the same year he returned to Ohio, settling at Toledo, where he has practiced to the present time, winning substantial success with the passing years. His high standing among his brethren of the profession is indicated in the fact that he was chosen secretary and treasurer of the Toledo Dental Society for the year 1907 and in 1918 served as president; was made a member of the board of directors of the Ohio State Dental Society and continued in that position for twelve years; and was also elected to the directorate of the Northern Ohio Dental Society for a period of three years, while in 1922 he was chosen to the presidency of the last named organization. He has ever maintained a splendidly equipped dental office and has shown marked skill and scientific efficiency in the performance of the multitudinous delicate duties that devolve upon the dentist.

On the 15th of June, 1898, Dr. Welker was married to Miss Grace Boothman of Bryan, Ohio, and they are parents of a son, Richard Maxwell, who was born April 11, 1901, and is now a student in the University of Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania. Dr. Welker largely finds his recreation in golf and is vice president of the Sylvania Golf Club. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, interested in all those activities which feature in the city's welfare and improvement, in the development of its business connections and the maintenance of all those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride.

NED L. BAUMGARDNER

Ned L. Baumgardner, member of the wholesale firm of Baumgardner & Company of Toledo, is recognized as one of the leading younger business men of this city. He was born in Toledo, on the 27th of October, 1880, the son of Edson W. and Frances Mary (Langan) Baumgardner of whom extensive mention is made elsewhere in this work, and has two brothers, Frank L. and Carleton Morey Baumgardner. An account of the latter also appears in this volume. Ned L. Baumgardner received his early education in the public schools of his birthplace, later attending the Michigan Military Academy where he prepared for entrance to Cornell University at Ithaca, New York. At the university he was made a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity. Upon leaving college Mr. Baumgardner returned to Toledo, where he has since been associated with the firm of Baumgardner & Company in which his two brothers are also interested. This company, which was founded shortly after the Civil war, does a wholesale business in dry goods and notions and is one of the largest of its kind in the state. As one of the active managers of the concern Mr. Baumgardner has been responsible for much of the growth of the business in recent years, displaying in the conduct of his business a capacity for financial administration and constructive organizing work.

On the 2d of June, 1906, occurred the marriage of Ned L. Baumgardner and Miss Kate R. Annin. They have one child, a son, named Edson W. (II), in honor of his grandfather.

Like the other members of his family Mr. Baumgardner holds republican views on political matters. He belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and numerous social and recreational organizations of the city, among them the Toledo Club, the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club and the Toledo Riding Club. Something of his recreational interests is indicated by his membership in the two latter clubs. He is also affiliated with the Transportation Club of New York city.

CLARENCE DAVEY SELBY, M. D.

Dr. Clarence Davey Selby is not only an eminent physician from the standpoint of knowledge of the science of medicine and ability in the practice of the profession but also by reason of his comprehensive study of his chosen calling as effecting sociological and economic conditions of the country. His breadth of vision has enabled him to aid in solving many intricate and complex problems which have to do with health conditions and his labors have been of the greatest benefit and service to mankind.

Clarence Davey Selby was born in Des Moines, Iowa, July 21, 1878, his parents being Sanford Perry and Lizzie Foster (Davey) Selby. The removal of the family to Ohio enabled him to complete a high school course at Portsmouth, where he was graduated with the class of 1898. He afterward became a student in the medical department of the Western Reserve University and there won his professional degree in 1902. Since that time he has gained a position of distinction in the educational field as well as in active practice. He was made demonstrator of histology in the medical department of the Western Reserve University in 1901 and in 1902 he became assistant to the city bacteriologist of Cleveland. In the same year he was made interne at the Lakeside Hospital of Cleveland, occupying the position until 1903. He served as resident pathologist at St. Alexis Hospital in 1903-4 and was assistant to Dr. George Crile from 1904 until 1906.

In the year 1905 Dr. Selby came to Toledo and the following year was appointed visiting surgeon to St. Vincent's Hospital, acting in that capacity until 1915, while at the present time he is chief of staff. He has been identified with the Flower Hospital since 1911 and he was commissioner of health of Toledo from 1916 until 1918. For a period of ten years, from 1908 until 1918, he was managing editor of the Ohio State Medical Journal and he was consulting hygienist to the United States public health service in 1918 and 1919. In the latter year he was made a surgeon on the reserve list of the United States health service and so continues. He has been chief of staff of St. Vincent's Hospital since 1919 and was president of the hospital council of Toledo in 1921. Since 1920 he has been a director of the Toledo Council of Social Agencies, was a director of the American Association of Industrial Physicians and Surgeons in 1920-21 and a director of the Ohio Association of Industrial Physicians and Surgeons in 1919-20.

Naturally Dr. Selby is connected with the leading medical societies of the country. He served as the secretary of the section on preventive medicine and public health of the American Medical Association in 1920 and was made vice chairman of the same in 1921. In 1919 he was secretary of the health service section of the National Safety Council. He is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, belongs to the Ohio State Medical Association, of which he was secretary and treasurer from 1908 until 1918, to the Academy of Medicine at Cleveland, to

the Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas county and is now president of the Ohio Public Health Association for 1922 and also of the Toledo Public Health Association.

On the 18th of October, 1905, Dr. Selby was united in marriage to Miss Olivia Roberts of Stratford, Ontario, Canada, and they make their home at No. 332 Boston place. They have a son, Robert Vincent Selby, born in Toledo, August 17, 1907. Dr. Selby belongs to the Sons of the American Revolution, to the Chamber of Commerce, to the Toledo Club and to the Toledo Yacht Club. He also has membership with the Nu Sigma Nu. His political allegiance has ever been given to the republican party and his religious faith is that of the Methodist church. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons as a Knight Templar, as a member of the Consistory and also of the Mystic Shrine. His life has been one of extreme usefulness and value to his fellowmen by reason of the breadth of his professional activities and the progressive spirit which he has ever manifested in connection with his chosen calling.

ELI ELKINGTON CULVER

Eli Elkington Culver is owner and president of the business which is now conducted under the name of the Culver Motor Company and as such he has reached a place among the representative merchants and business men of Toledo. He was born in the vicinity of this city September 24, 1875, and is a son of Horace and Sarah (Rathbone) Culver. The father was a farmer, devoting his life to agricultural pursuits, and the youthful experiences of Eli E. Culver were those of the farm bred boy who early becomes familiar with the best methods of tilling the soil and caring for the crops, his work in the fields being alternated by periods of attendance at the country schools.

Eli Elkington Culver supplemented his early educational training by a course in a business college and then, thinking to find commercial pursuits more congenial than farming, he secured a clerkship in a grocery store. Steadily he acquired knowledge and experience in this business and later he owned and conducted a grocery business for himself. He was also proprietor of a general store at Ironville, Ohio, for a period of eighteen years and ere the expiration of that period he began handling the Ford automobiles, taking up the business in 1914. In 1917 he removed to Toledo, where he organized the Culver Motor Company, of which he has since been president and owner. He is now doing an annual business of seven hundred thousand dollars and has sixty people in his employ. The firm has one of the best equipped plants in the state of Ohio, and its service department is surpassed by none. Judged by what Mr. Culver has accomplished, he seems to have advanced by leaps and bounds in his business career and yet an analyzation of his methods shows that it has been through steady progression and the wise use of opportunity that he has reached the creditable and enviable place which he today occupies in connection with the sale of automobiles in this city. He is also a trustee of the Ohio Savings Association.

Mr. Culver was united in marriage to Miss Freda Miller of Toledo and they became parents of two daughters, Geraldine and Mildred. Having lost his first wife, Mr. Culver was married to Miss Jessie Custin of Dunkirk, Ohio, and their children are three in number, Marion, Rhonda and Phyllis Jean. In addition to

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his attractive home in Toledo, Mr. Culver owns a fifty-acre farm which is operated entirely by tractor work, no horses being used on the place. The most advanced and scientific methods are employed in the cultivation and care of the fields and success in large measure is attending the enterprise.

Mr. Culver greatly enjoys hunting and fishing and each fall goes to the northern woods for big game hunting, while in the winter he enjoys a period of fishing in the south. He is the president of the East Side Luncheon Club and is a member of the East Side Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Commerce Club, the Bay Shore Commerce Club, the Izaak Walton League of America, and the Young Men's Christian Association. Fraternally he is a Mason and also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and to the Foresters, and he never withholds his cooperation from any well devised plan for the city's improvement or upbuilding, for the advancement of its trade relations or the promotion of civic interests which lead to municipal adornment or improvement. He is always alert, ready for any emergency and any opportunity, and has proven himself a dynamic force in connection with commercial interests in his native state.

ANTHONY C. BAY

Among the varied lines of activity which are factors in Toledo's commercial development is the real estate and insurance business conducted by the Wright, Russell & Bay Company, of which Anthony C. Bay is the vice president, their offices being located at Nos. 313-15 Huron street. Mr. Bay is a native of Ohio, his birth having occurred in Wood county on the 7th of March, 1865, and his parents were Charles and Rosina (Fisher) Bay, both of whom were of European birth and came to the United States at an early period in their lives. They first located at Cleveland, Ohio, and later removed to Wood county, this state, where the father successfully followed the occupation of farming until his demise, which occurred when he had reached the venerable age of ninety-two years. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war, serving throughout the period of hostilities as a private of the Seventh Ohio Infantry, under General John B. Steadman. The mother has also passed away.

In the grammar and high schools of Toledo, Anthony C. Bay acquired his education and his initial business experience was obtained in the employ of the L. S. Baumgardner Company, wholesale dealers in dry goods and notions. He remained with that house for several years and then became a special agent for the Aetna Fire Insurance Company, his connection with that organization lasting a little over a year. Subsequent to that he became associated with the Toledo Fire Underwriters Association as assistant secretary, which office he filled for fifteen years, resigning to purchase a half interest in the firm of Wright & Russell, becoming an active partner in the enterprise, which has since been known as the Wright, Russell & Bay Company. They also handle real estate and their business is one of large proportions. Mr. Bay has been identified with the company for nineteen years and is now serving as vice president. Broad experience and close study have given him a comprehensive knowledge of the business and much of the present prosperity enjoyed by the firm is attributable to his well-directed efforts and earnest application.

On the 31st of December, 1913, Mr. Bay married Miss Daisy Washburn of Toledo, whose parents are residents of Port Clinton, Ohio. He is ever ready to give his support to measures for the promotion of the public welfare and for one

term served as a member of the city council. He is a member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Exchange Club and is a thirty-second degree Mason, belonging to both the York and Scottish Rites. He possesses keen perception and keen insight into business affairs and situations and has the power of concentration, which enables him to give his entire thought to the matter in hand. In the parlance of the day he has "made good" and is recognized as a successful business man and public-spirited citizen.

ELMER HERMAN GERSON

Elmer Herman Gerson, president and treasurer of I. Gerson and Sons Company, is one of Toledo's well known and successful business men whose long identification with his line of business has given him a position of leadership and prominence that is outstanding in trade circles. It is true that he entered upon a business already established, but in the further development and conduct of the enterprise many a man of less capability would have failed. He has adapted himself to the changing conditions of the commercial world and progressiveness and straightforward business practices have been contributing factors to the continued success of the undertaking. Mr. Gerson comes to Toledo from the neighboring state of Indiana, his birth having occurred at Union City, October 3, 1878, his parents being Isaac and Caroline (Rosenfield) Gerson. The father was born in Germany, and came to America when about twenty-five years of age, locating at Union City, Indiana, where he entered the hide and fur business, in which he was engaged until his removal to Bucyrus, Ohio, in 1890. There he became identified with the scrap iron industry and was so associated until 1899, when he removed from Bucyrus to Toledo and here organized the firm of I. Gerson & Sons, continuing active in the business to the time of his death, which occurred on the 18th of October, 1917. He had thus for more than a quarter of a century figured in connection with an industry that became widely and favorably known not only in business circles of Toledo, but throughout northwestern Ohio and southern Michigan.

Elmer H. Gerson was educated in the public schools of his native city and of Bucyrus, Ohio, and later came with his parents to Toledo. From boyhood he was the active assistant of his father in business and upon the latter's death the business was incorporated under the style of I. Gerson & Sons Company, and Elmer H. Gerson became the president and treasurer. The business of this company is conducted on a vast scale and is one of the largest in its line in this section of the country. Ninety employes and two yards covering seventeen acres, with an equipment of the best in the way of shipping facilities and the latest improved machinery materially aid in its operation.

In addition to the attention which he gives to executive control of the business, Mr. Gerson is likewise a director of the Commercial Savings Bank & Trust Company and president of The Gerson Realty Company. He has made for himself a most creditable position in commercial circles and is numbered among the city's strong and capable business men whose methods are clean and square.

Fraternally he is a Royal Arch Mason and he also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is likewise a member of the Progress Club and of B'nai B'rith, a Jewish benevolent organization. Mr. Gerson is a man of

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generous spirit, constantly extending a helping hand where aid is needed and ready at all times to help any movement or project that is of benefit to the city. The company has a branch office in Detroit at No. 1004-5 Book building.

WILLIAM EDWIN WILLIAMS, Jr.

William Edwin Williams, Jr., associated with the firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, has despite his comparative youth gained a place of distinction in legal circles that many a man of twice his years might well envy. He was born in Jackson, Ohio, March 18, 1893, and is a son of William Edwin and Margaret (Evans) Williams. The father, who devoted his life to the practice of medicine, passed away December 26, 1911.

William E. Williams, Jr., obtained a public school education which was completed by a course in the high school of his native city. His further educational training was obtained in the Ohio State University, where he pursued the arts course until graduated with the class of 1915, and the law course, which won him his professional degree in 1917. On the 15th of May of the following year he enlisted for service in the World war as a private and was sent to the Fourth Officers' Training School at Camp Custer, Michigan, where he was commissioned a second lieutenant of the Field Artillery and assigned to duty at Camp Zachary Taylor near Louisville, Kentucky. On the 16th of August he was transferred to Camp Jackson in the replacement troops and later he was sent to the School of Fire at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Subsequently he was attached to the Fifty-eighth Regiment of Field Artillery at Camp Jackson near Columbia, South Carolina, there remaining until discharged on the 10th of December, 1918.

With his release from the army Mr. Williams came to Toledo and has here engaged in law practice, being now associated with the firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams. From the beginning he was recognized as one of the prominent representatives of the younger members of the bar. The thoroughness with which he prepares his cases, the unremitting study which he makes of every cause entrusted to his care and his forcefulness in the actual work of the courts have gained for him a notable distinction.

Mr. Williams belongs to the Beta Theta Pi and the Phi Delta Phi, two Greek letter fraternities, has membership in the Commerce Club, in the American Legion, in the First Congregational church and, along professional lines, in the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. He enjoys golf and tennis and employs a portion of his time for needful recreation, but the major part of his attention is given to his professional duties and those obligations which should claim the cooperation of every citizen.

FRANK B. FOLGER

Frank B. Folger is the manager of sales for the Jacob Folger estate, controlling the extensive pork packing and sausage manufacturing business which was established by his father, long recognized as one of the prominent business men of this city. Jacob Folger was born in Bavaria, Germany, April 16, 1844, and passed

away at Toledo, April 13, 1916, at the age of seventy-two years, of which nearly sixty years had been passed in the new world. He was the youngest of the seven children who reached maturity, born to John and Catherine Folger, and between the ages of six and thirteen years was a pupil in the public schools of his native country. He then started alone for the new world to join his elder brother, who some years before had come to the United States and was engaged in the butchering business in New York city. After a voyage of seven weeks Jacob Folger reached the eastern metropolis and spent three years in a practical apprenticeship to the butcher's trade under his brother. In 1860, when sixteen years of age, he came to Toledo, where he worked in the market of Gottlieb Stahl, his wages being increased from eight to sixteen dollars per month. From this meager sum he saved an amount that in 1864 enabled him to start in business on his own account, although in a very limited way. In the same year he married the daughter of Benjamin Emch, who joined him in business under the firm style of Folger & Emch but who a year later retired from the firm. Mr. Folger then not only conducted a retail butchering business but also began the manufacture of sausage and gradually enlarged his packing facilities, so that after a few years he abandoned the retail trade, conducting the business exclusively as a wholesale enterprise. In 1883 his plant was removed from Central avenue, where the street railway barns now stand, to West Toledo and today covers several acres. Mr. Folger always made a specialty of packing pork and manufacturing sausage and won a high reputation in that connection throughout the state. A wholesale establishment is maintained whereby the products of the packing house are sent to the retailers. Some years prior to his death Jacob Folger turned the management and control of the business over to his sons, Charles A., Frederick J. and Frank B.

Jacob Folger was also much interested in the Forest cemetery, the municipal burying ground, and for years served as president of its board of trustees. Up to the time when he took over the executive management the financial report had showed an annual deficit, and it was due to his able control that it was placed upon a self-supporting basis. Politically Mr. Folger was a republican and at one time represented the fourth ward in the city council, where he made so admirable a record that his friends urged him to become a candidate for mayor, but this he declined to do. He belonged to the German Pioneer Association of Toledo and to the Druid Society. Such was the hospitality of his attractive summer home on the Ottawa river, which was always open to the entertainment of his legion of friends, that it became familiarly known as Folger's Country Club.

In 1864 Jacob Folger wedded Mary Emch, daughter of Benjamin Emch and a native of Wood county, Ohio. They became parents of the three sons previously mentioned and four daughters, of whom Amelia died in 1907, the others being Anna, wife of Charles J. Sanzenbacher; Julia and Lena.

Frank B. Folger, who, like his brothers, has become active in the management of the business established by the father, was born in Toledo, September 27, 1881, and after attending the public schools continued his education in the Tri-State Business College. In 1916 he became identified with the pork packing and sausage manufacturing business which had been established and for many years successfully conducted by his father, and although he started out in a minor position, he has risen steadily, as he has gained knowledge of and experience in the business, to the responsible place of manager of sales. The business has thrived and developed under the careful control of Frank B. Folger and his brothers and is still conducted as the Jacob Folger estate. It has long since become one of the paying productive

enterprises of the city and in control of sales Frank B. Folger by undaunted enterprise and progressive methods has contributed in no small measure to the continued success of the undertaking.

On the 25th of January, 1910, Mr. Folger was married to Miss Crissa Grant and they have become parents of seven children: Jacob, born in 1911; Rada, born in 1912; Anna, born in 1914; Franklin, born in 1915; Helen, born in 1916; Bessie, born in 1918; and Charles, born in 1920.

Mr. Folger is politically an earnest republican and fraternally is connected with Toledo Lodge, Knights of Pythias. He is loyal to the public welfare in every way and supports all measures for the general good, but the major part of his time and attention is claimed by his business affairs and it has been his close application and unremitting energy that have brought him to the enviable position which he occupies in the business circles of his native city.

GEORGE STRAFFORD MILLS

George Strafford Mills, a Toledo architect whose work is known nationally, has made his home in this city from the age of nineteen. He is a native of England, born in London, December 5, 1866, his parents being George and Mary Huxley (Callow) Mills. In 1870 the father brought his family to the United States and settled in St. Louis, Missouri. He was a well known journalist who at one time edited the St. Louis Times, and also the Globe-Democrat of that city and was also admitted to the St. Louis bar. He died at Excelsior Springs, Missouri, August 18, 1890. His widow returned to England.

George Strafford Mills attended the public schools of St. Louis and also the Manual Training School of Washington University, from which he graduated in 1884. He then entered the office of George I. Barnett as a student, pursuing his studies in architecture under Mr. Barnett's direction. He came to Toledo to teach drawing in the Scott Manual Training School, then just started, and shortly afterward was made superintendent of that school, which post he occupied until in November, 1892, when he resigned this position to start his career as an architect, as a member of the firm of Mills and Wachter, an association maintained for five years, until April, 1897. Following the dissolution of this partnership Mr. Mills continued in the practice of his profession alone until April, 1912, when he organized the firm of Mills, Rhines, Bellman & Nordhoff.

During the many years of his practice of the profession of architecture, his name and the names of his associates have been connected with the most important buildings erected in Toledo and in many cities of the country from Boston to San Francisco.

Mr. Mills became a member of the American Institute of Architects in 1900 and his standing in his profession is best indicated by the fact that in 1915 he was elected a fellow of the Institute, an honor which is bestowed upon only a few architects of marked distinction. He was elected vice president of the Institute and served on its executive committee, 1918-1919.

Mr. Mills was married November 14, 1894, to Alice F. Baker, daughter of George and Fidelia Latimer Baker, who died September 25, 1913. They had two daughters, Fidelia Latimer and Elizabeth Mary, the latter of whom is deceased. On October 26, 1915, Mr. Mills married Stella A. Petersen.

Mr. Mills is a Consistory Mason, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He is a member of the Toledo Club, the Country Club and the Commerce Club and is active in many of the city's enterprises. He resides at No. 2268 Scottwood avenue.

GEORGE JOSEPH AND WILLIAM JOSEPH KERSCHER

George Joseph and William Joseph Kerscher can rightfully be placed in the classification of self-made men. It has been due entirely to their own efforts and business integrity that success has attended them. From a small beginning they have builded their business until it has become one of the leading activities of its kind in the state.

George Joseph Kerscher, president of the Kerscher Elevator Company of Toledo, has reached his present creditable position in business circles, not by leaps and bounds but by a steady progression that has indicated the wise and careful use of every chance that has come to him for advancement. Born in Toledo, on the 17th of March, 1887, he is a son of Michael and Theressa (Reibmeyer) Kerscher, who came to Toledo in 1870. The father, who was a teamster and for many years was in the employ of an express company in this city, is now deceased.

The son, George Joseph Kerscher, was educated in St. Mary's parochial school, pursuing his studies to the age of fourteen years, when he started out to provide for his own support by obtaining the position of glass gatherer in a glass works of this city. He was afterward employed by the Richard Boiler & Engine Company for a period of two years and as he worked his way steadily upward he became imbued with the ambition to engage in business on his own account. He next became associated with his brother Joseph Kerscher, working for him until the formation of the Kerscher Elevator Company, which he joined his brothers, Joseph and William Kerscher, in organizing. They established their business upon a sound and substantial basis. The brother Joseph has passed away. The two remaining brothers continue active in the business, of which George J. Kerscher is now the president. To-day they are among the leading manufacturing men of this city.

George J. Kerscher is well known in club circles. He belongs to the Kiwanis Club, to the Toledo Automobile Club and also has membership with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Chamber of Commerce and Toledo Builders Exchange—associations which indicate much of the nature and diversity of his interest. He enjoys athletic and out-door sports, particularly hunting and fishing, and to these turns for recreation from the arduous cares of business.

William Joseph Kerscher, the junior partner in the Kerscher Elevator Company, was born in Toledo, September 11, 1888, and he, too, attended St. Mary's parochial school, while later he pursued a course in a business college. He afterward became bill clerk in a wholesale house, in which he was employed for a time and in 1904 he entered the employ of his brother, Joseph Kerscher. Later he joined his brothers in the Kerscher Elevator Company, which was organized in 1912, and which was incorporated in 1920, William J. Kerscher becoming the secretary and treasurer. The firm manufactures electric hydraulic belts and hand-

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operating freight and passenger elevators. Its new brick plant, in the 900 block on Michigan street, which is 150x75 feet and contains two floors and also a warehouse, 50x50, is equipped with the finest machinery obtainable and enables the company to render a superior workmanship in the building of its product.

While the Kerscher brothers are comparatively young men they have won wide recognition in Toledo's manufacturing and business circles. The two brothers have from the beginning been closely associated in the management and control of the enterprise, the labors of the one ably supplementing and rounding out the efforts of the other.

On the 16th of February, 1911, William J. Kerscher was married to Miss Christena M. Christ of Toledo and they are parents of two children: Francis and William Joseph, Jr. William Joseph Kerscher is a member of the Toledo Credit Men's Association, Toledo Builders' Exchange and the Toledo Automobile Club. Like his brother, William J. Kerscher finds great pleasure in fishing and hunting and when opportunity offers he makes a trip into the forest and to the streams for this purpose.

RICHARD D. LOGAN

Since 1909 Richard D. Logan has been identified with the Toledo bar, during which period he has won a well established position in the ranks of his profession, and his fellow practitioners unite in bearing testimony to his high character and superior mind. He was born in Waverly, Ohio, December 2, 1884, a son of James Wilson and Kate (Dougherty) Logan, who are also natives of the Buckeye state. For forty years the father has been connected with mercantile interests of Waverly and he is numbered among the leading business men and progressive citizens of that place. He has also been prominent in civic affairs, serving for one term as mayor of Waverly and also filling other public offices of trust and responsibility. The mother is living and three children have been born to them: Frank B., a noted cartoonist residing in Waverly, Ohio; Mrs. Robert Brown, who is living in New York city; and Richard D.

In the acquirement of an education Richard D. Logan attended the grammar and high schools of Waverly and then became a student at the Ohio State University, which conferred upon him the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1907, and at which time he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, the honorary scholarship fraternity. Two years later he received the LL. B. degree from that institution on the completion of a course in law. Coming to Toledo, he began his professional career, first becoming connected with the firm of Swayne, Hayes & Fuller, with whom he was associated for about four years, and he then engaged in practice independently until 1918. He has since been a member of the firm of Doyle & Lewis, engaged in general practice, and one of the leading law firms in the state, a liberal clientele being accorded them. Mr. Logan has a comprehensive knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence and he is noted for the precision of his briefs, the logic of his arguments and the skill with which he has handled cases of a difficult nature.

On the 5th of June, 1912, Mr. Logan was married to Miss Florence Durflinger at London, Ohio, her father being Judge S. W. Durflinger, a prominent jurist in Central Ohio. To this union has been born a son, Richard D., Jr., whose birth occurred in this city March 28, 1919. Mr. Logan is a member of St. Mark's Episco-

pal church of Toledo and in his political views he is a republican. He is identified with the blue lodge in Masonry and is also a member of the Toledo, Toledo Country and Sylvania Golf clubs. His professional relations are with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations and he is also a member of Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity and Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Beta Kappa, college fraternities. Close application, persistency of purpose and the utilization of the talents with which nature endowed him have brought Mr. Logan to a position of prominence in legal circles of Toledo and no representative of the bar of this city has a higher conception of the dignity and responsibility of his profession.

DANIEL SEGUR, Sr.

An investigation into the records of those who have at any period contributed in substantial measure to the growth, progress and improvement of Toledo indicates that in this connection mention should be made of Daniel Segur, Sr., who was a merchant and real estate dealer. He was born in Herkimer county, New York, in 1812 and was descended in the paternal line from English ancestry, representatives of the name having emigrated from England to Rhode Island in 1684. The name was originally spelled Seager, and was of Norse origin. It was so spelled down through and after the Revolutionary war. Mr. Segur's father so spelled it. The sixth generation in America changed the spelling, the Rhode Island branch taking Segar and the western branch, Segur. The History of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, by Samuel Green Arnold, states that at the last general assembly Samuel Seager represented Kingstown, Washington county, Rhode Island. Samuel Seager's commissions as captain, lieutenant colonel, colonel and brigadier general are all spelled Seager. The grandfather of Daniel Segur was a brigadier general of the Rhode Island militia in colonial days under King George III and was one of the first colonial officers who declared for the independence of the colonies after the Declaration of Independence was written. He was a man of means and invested his money in Continental scrip in order to aid congress to carry on the Revolutionary war. Notwithstanding the fact that he had held large landed estates his patriotic course brought him into straitened financial circumstances because of the depreciation of the Continental currency, and with the parents of Daniel Segur he removed from Rhode Island to Herkimer county, New York, where he died after a few years of suffering and invalidism, resulting from wounds sustained during the war for independence.

In the year 1815 the parents of Daniel Segur established their home in Oneida county, New York, where his father engaged in farming and in milling. That section of the country was then largely an undeveloped wilderness and the Indian tribe from whom the county took its name and had not yet been removed to western reservations, so that in his infancy and early childhood Daniel Segur became familiar with the adventurous life of the western frontiersman, with its hardships and privations. His father died in his forty-fifth year and upon Daniel Segur devolved the support of the mother, an invalid sister and numerous younger brothers.

In early life he evinced a leaning toward the legal profession, but because of the death of his father it was necessary for him to leave school and to concentrate his energies upon the immediate task of earning a living. When but fifteen years

of age he went to Utica, New York, and obtained a situation in a hotel, earning a small salary, the greater part of which he sent to his mother to aid her in caring for the younger children of the household. However, his industry, sobriety and perseverance attracted the attention of Henry Huntington, a wealthy and influential resident of Rome, New York, who at that time was president of the Bank of Utica. Through the influence of the banker Daniel Segur was to be sent to school, but his elder brother, who had established himself in business in Buffalo, induced Daniel to join him there and he did so, becoming a clerk in the Mansion House of that city. He was always a believer in the opportunities of the growing west and in 1832 he took another step westward by removing to Cleveland, where with his elder brother he conducted the Mansion House, the venture proving profitable until the autumn of 1835, when the hotel was destroyed by fire.

In the spring of 1836 Mr. Segur took up his abode in Toledo and here he conducted another hotel, also known as the Mansion House. This was a large wooden building situated between Lagrange and Locust streets and from the beginning the new enterprise prospered. Unfortunately for him, however, he was induced to enter upon the management of a more extensive and pretentious hotel project and, leaving the Mansion House, he completed a new hostelry known as the American Hotel at the corner of Elm and Summit streets. Then came a period of widespread financial depression whereby Mr. Segur lost every dollar that he had previously acquired. He thus had to begin life anew empty-handed, possessed of nothing save courage and experience.

From time to time Mr. Segur figured prominently in the political life of his city, as well as in its business circles. In 1838 he served his first term as a member of the city council and for a number of years thereafter with only slight interruptions he continued to hold city and county offices. In 1842 he was elected street commissioner and during his term of service Cherry street was opened under his supervision through morasses, swamps and a jungle wilderness from the Manhattan canal to Tremainesville. Two years later Mr. Segur was reelected to the same office and under his direction a very extensive series of grades was projected and executed, regarded at that time as an almost Herculean task. Water street was graded from Monroe to Lagrange and Summit street from Perry to Elm, including the grading of the intervening and cross streets from Summit to Water street as far as Lagrange street. The whig party, of which he was an advocate, had now come into power and in 1845 Mr. Segur was appointed collector of canal tolls, holding the position for six years, receiving a salary of about fifty dollars per month. This enabled him not only to support his mother and younger brothers but also to invest a small sum in real estate in Toledo and vicinity and, starting in this way, he later developed a comfortable fortune. He was always strictly fair and just in his real estate dealings, never taking advantage of the misfortunes of a humble client but doing everything in his power to assist the poor to acquire property, frequently waiting as long as ten years after mortgages were due in order to collect the sum owing him. In the six years in which he served as collector of canal tolls he handled nearly half a million dollars of state funds and in less than a week after resigning the position to his successor his accounts were settled without the deficit of a single penny. Having always entertained conservative views upon the slavery question, when the whig party embraced an anti-slavery plank in its platform in 1855, with Salmon P. Chase as one of its leaders, he joined the ranks of the democratic party, with which he afterward affiliated. Notwithstanding this, whenever he was a candidate for municipal office he received the strong support of many republicans

and prohibitionists as well as democrats, all submerging their political and party preferences in a desire to see a capable man in office.

In 1858 Mr. Segur was appointed deputy collector of customs and held the position until the close of President Buchanan's administration. Later he engaged in various industrial pursuits, carried on farming and dairying, engaged in the culture of tobacco, in real estate dealing and in merchandising. He conducted a retail boot and shoe store, also a merchant tailoring establishment and handled ready-made clothing and men's furnishings. At times he lived on his farm in order more efficiently to manage his agricultural interests and when after a temporary absence he would return to the city he was always elected to the council or aldermanic board and in 1876 was the presiding officer of the board of aldermen. He was repeatedly urged to become a candidate for more important positions but preferred to give his time and energies to the development of the city in other ways and at no time was his cooperation withheld from any project which he deemed of vital worth to the benefit and welfare of Toledo.

In 1841 Mr. Segur was married to Lucy Keeler, a daughter of a pioneer resident of Toledo. She passed away after less than a year of married life. Ten years later Mr. Segur wedded Rosa L. Klinge, who was well known at that time as a journalist and became better known with the passing years as one of the editorial contributors to the Toledo Commercial, the Toledo Blade and several monthly publications. To Mr. and Mrs. Segur were born three children, one of whom died in infancy; Daniel, mentioned elsewhere in this work, who died in 1917; and Fannie, who is the wife of George W. Foster of Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Segur passed away in 1906. She was one of those devoted and consecrated women to whom the suffrage cause owes much. She was the dominant figure in the Toledo Association for nearly twoscore years and it was said of her: "She would have unflinchingly faced the cannon's mouth for her cause." That the work of herself and associates has borne fruit is a matter of history. That she might enjoy the rights and privileges of citizenship without the shadow of a doubt she took out naturalization papers February 23, 1895, having been born in Germany, although her marriage to an American would automatically confer upon her American citizenship. Mr. Segur died in 1876. Long did Mr. and Mrs. Segur remain active factors in the life of Toledo, contributing along varying lines to its development and progress and taking active part in promoting its transformation from a western frontier town into one of the metropolitan centers of the middle west. Mr. Segur did much to shape the policy and direct the destiny of the city as a public official and as a business man and his name is thus indelibly stamped upon the records of the municipality.

HERMAN WIENER

The history of a city does not depend entirely upon its machinery of government ordinance or even upon the men who occupy its public offices but also in large measure upon those who are directing its commercial and industrial activities, conducting interests which not only contribute individual success but also promote public prosperity. In this connection Herman Wiener is known, for he is one of the active and energetic manufacturers of Toledo, being president and treasurer of the Universal Glove Company. He was born in Russia, October 15, 1888, and is a son of Martin Zacariah and Mollie R. (Smilack) Wiener. The

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father was a wholesale grain dealer in Russia and died when his son, Herman, was a lad fourteen years of age. The latter afterward took up the task of supporting his mother as well as himself and remained in Russia until 1904, when he crossed the Atlantic to the new world, being at that time a youth of sixteen years. He made his way at once into the interior of the country, with Toledo as his destination, and here began earning his living as a laborer. He was energetic and ambitious and in order to win advancement he attended night school and throughout the intervening years has been a thorough student in the school of experience, learning many valuable lessons of life. For six years he occupied the position of scale master with Henry Rosen. In 1910 he organized the Universal Glove Company for the purpose of manufacturing cotton gloves, being very desirous to engage in business on his own account, so that his labors might directly benefit himself. A laudable ambition, therefore, prompted his establishment of his manufacturing interests, which were conducted under a partnership relation until 1915, when the business was incorporated under the present name, with Mr. Wiener as the president and treasurer. The company today employs one hundred and seventy-five people and has two hundred and seventy-five employes. The concern manufactures thirty-five thousand pairs of gloves per month. The plant is a three-story brick building, one hundred and twenty by sixty feet, and well supplied with modern equipment and machinery for carrying on the work.

On the 25th of December, 1915, Mr. Wiener was married to Miss Carrie Rosenbaum of Chicago and they have become parents of three children: Martin Zacariah, Virginia and Helen. Fraternally Mr. Wiener is connected with the Masons and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, while of the Loyal Order of Moose he is a life member. He also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and thus gives tangible evidence of his interest in and support of all plans and measures for the general good. He has never regretted his determination to leave his native country and seek the opportunities of the new world, for in this country he has found chance for steady progress and step by step has advanced until his position as a manufacturer of Toledo is both a creditable and enviable one.

WILLIAM H. SIMMONS

When determination, perseverance and talent are arrayed against drawbacks, poverty and trials, the result is almost absolutely certain. The former are invincible —they know no defeat. This truth finds verification in the life record of William H. Simmons, who was a man of marked force of character and by determined purpose and indefatigable effort rose from a humble position to one of prominence in business circles. His was the record of a strenuous life—the record of a strong individuality, sure of itself, stable in purpose, quick in perception, swift in decision and energetic and persistent in action. The story of such a life cannot fail to impress all who read it and certainly should serve as an example to others. Mr. Simmons was born in Toronto, Canada, July 12, 1837. He was left an orphan at the age of fourteen years, and thus thrown upon his own recources, he early called forth his latent powers, developing self-reliance and independence of thought and action. He spent two years in Syracuse, New York, and then went to Adrian, Michigan, where he was employed as a clerk in a hardware store at a salary of fifty dollars per year and board. Thus he worked until the outbreak of

the Civil war, when he entered the commissary department at Chicago. Later he returned to Adrian and three times endeavored to enlist for active service in the Civil war but was rejected each time on account of physical disability.

The year 1865 witnessed Mr. Simmons' arrival in Toledo, where he became identified with the leather business as a partner of Orlando C. Smith under the firm style of Simmons & Smith, a relation that was maintained for a number of years. In 1879 Mr. Simmons became associated with G. H. Peabody, a capitalist of Boston, Massachusetts, in the manufacture and jobbing of boots and shoes. A substantial plant was developed and the output of the factory was sent over a wide territory. In 1894 this business was incorporated under the name of the Simmons Boot & Shoe Company and Mr. Simmons continued as the president and treasurer to the time of his death, which occurred April 3, 1906. In the meantime he had been active in developing the business to one of gratifying proportions and ere his demise the orphan boy of fourteen years, left without capital and with but limited educational opportunities, had become a commanding figure in the manufacturing circles of Toledo. He was also one of the directors of the Northern National Bank and his opinions concerning business matters were regarded as most sound and his discrimination particularly keen.

On September 7, 1865, Mr. Simmons was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Young of Adrian, Michigan, who survived her husband until December 30, 1921. They became parents of a son, Francis William, who is a native of Toledo and has succeeded his father in the presidency of the Simmons company. Mr. Simmons held membership in Trinity Episcopal church, in which he served as warden, and throughout his career his life was actuated by noble principles and the highest sense of personal honor. He never allowed individual interests or ambition to dwarf his public spirit or his activity, and his breadth of view not only recognized possibilities for his own advancement but for the city's development as well, while his lofty patriotism prompted him to utilize the lattter as quickly and as effectively as the former.

LOUIS J. HARPST

Louis J. Harpst possesses those qualities which make for leadership, and for thirty-two years he has been closely identified with business interests of Toledo as a heating contractor, during which period he has established a reputation as the foremost representative of his profession in the city. He was born at Monroe, Michigan, July 22, 1858, and his parents were George and Mary (Cronbach) Harpst. They were of European birth and the father came to the United States when but fourteen years of age. He was married in Monroe, Michigan, and in Monroe county, that state, he engaged in farming, in which he was quite successful, accumulating a comfortable competence, which enabled him to spend his later years in retirement. His demise occurred in this city in 1908. The mother passed away in 1915, at the advanced age of ninety-one years. Eight children were born to them: Henry, of Toledo; Mike, John and Herman, residents of Monroe county; and Mrs. Minnie Hoffman, Mrs. Carrie Rahm, Mrs. Louise Reiger and Louis J., all of whom are living in this city.

In the acquirement of an education, Louis J. Harpst attended the district schools of Monroe county, Michigan, and afterward completed a course in the

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Tri-State Business College of Toledo. He secured employment with E. H. Kuhlman & Company, with which he was connected for two years, and in 1890 he embarked in business on his own account as a sheet metal manufacturer and heating engineer. From a small beginning the business has been developed to one of extensive proportions, keeping pace with the growth of the city, and Mr. Harpst has incorporated his interests, which are now conducted under the style of the Hoffman & Harpst Company. He is president of the firm and has installed heating systems in a large number of public buildings and private residences. He was awarded the heating contract for the Orphans' Home and the plant of the Toledo Machine & Tool Company and since he entered this field of activity has installed over twenty-five hundred heating systems in Toledo, a record unsurpassed by any other firm in the city. Mr. Harpst was one of the organizers, and has been president since its inception of the Kuhlman Engineering Company, which is recognized as one of the leading concerns of its character in the city. He has become recognized as an authority on heating engineering and his work represents the highest degree of efficiency in his line.

On April 3, 1890, Harpst married Miss Louise Hoffman, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoffman of Toledo, and they have become the parents of five children: Gertrude, the eldest, completed her education in the Scott high school of this city; Ruth is a teacher in the La Grange school of Toledo; George completed a course in mechanical engineering at the University of Michigan and is now connected with his father in business. During the World war he enlisted for service in the United States army; Clarence served in the navy during the war with Germany and he was also graduated from the State University of Michigan as a mechanical engineer, being now associated with his father and brother in business; Elsie is a graduate of the Scott high school and also resides at home.

Mr. Harpst is a Lutheran in religious faith and his political support is given to the republican party. He is identified with the Masonic fraternity and also has membership with the Exchange Club, the Builders Exchange and the Chamber of Commerce. He is a self-made man, before whom the door of opportunity has swung open because of his enterprise and perseverance, and one of the most important industries of the city stands as a monument to his initiative spirit, his powers of organization and his executive ability.

R. H. DEMOREST

Educational interests of Toledo find a prominent representative in R. H. Demorest, who for the past ten years has been principal of the Scott high school, and his long retention in this position is proof of his professional ability and the value of the service which he is rendering the city. He was born in Marysville, Ohio, December 25, 1880, a son of Louis B. and Sarah (Marshall) Demorest, who are also natives of this state, in which they have always resided. For forty-three years the father was engaged in educational work at Marysville, where he is now living retired, and he is widely known and highly esteemed in his community. Mr. and Mrs. Demorest have become the parents of five children: Francis M., a well known chemist of Columbus, Ohio; R. H.; D. J., who is also a prominent educator, and has charge of the department of metallurgy at the University of Ohio, being

assisted by his sister, Madge, who acts as his secretary; and Don L., who is assistant professor of English at Miami University.

In 1898 R. H. Demorest was graduated from the Marysville high school and he next entered the Ohio State University, in which he completed a scientific course in 1904. In the fall of that year he took up the profession of teaching, which he has since successfully followed, first going to Greenville, Ohio, and later to Parkersburg, West Virginia. In 1906 he came to Toledo to become an associate teacher in the physics department of the Central high school, with which he was connected until 1913, when he was made principal of the Scott high school, and has since served in that capacity. He keeps in touch with the most advanced thought of the day in regard to the control and management of public schools, has instituted many improvements and innovations in the curriculum and methods of instruction and under his able direction the school has made splendid progress. He has secured the hearty cooperation and enthusiasm of both the teachers and pupils and excellent results have attended his efforts.

At Marysville, Ohio, on the 17th of August, 1904, Mr. Demorest was married to Miss Harriet Wiltsie, a daughter of the Rev. T. L. Wiltsie, now deceased, formerly pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Demorest have no children but their niece, Margaret, a daughter of Professor D. J. Demorest, resides with them. Mr. Demorest is a member of the committee of religious education in Toledo and his deep interest in the welfare and progress of the city along material lines is indicated by his membership in the Chamber of Commerce. He holds to high standards in his professional work and is a worthy representative of a family which for many years has figured prominently in educational circles of the state.

LEO EDWARD GUTHRIE

Leo Edward Guthrie, a veteran of the World war, now engaged in the general practice of law in association with the well known firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, was born June 28, 1894, in Bloomdale, Ohio, a son of Harvey James and Venie Ann (Bushong) Guthrie. The father is a real estate dealer and broker of Toledo who removed to this city in 1903.

Leo Edward Guthrie was at that time a youth of nine years and his early education, begun in the schools of Bloomdale, was supplemented by further study in the public schools of this city and in the Central high school, while sitll later he attended the Davis Business College and also the Toledo Conservatory of Music, for the arts have also found expression in his interests and activities as well as the profession which he has made his life work. His more specific literary and law courses were pursued in the Toledo University and St. Johns College, one and one-half years of which he spent in the study of law at the latter institution, attaining his LL. B. degree in 1918. He then entered upon general practice and is now associated with the firm of Brown, Geddess, Schmettau & Williams, one of the strongest law combinations in Ohio. He belongs to the Lucas County Bar Association and to the Ohio State Bar Association.

Mr. Guthrie is a veteran of the World war, having in April, 1918, entered the office of the judge advocate general. He first joined the infantry as a private and was advanced to top sergeant, following which he was transferred to Washington

for service as previously indicated, there remaining until December, 1918. He was made battalion sergeant major, J. A., two months later was promoted to the rank of regimental sergeant major and was discharged with the latter rank, July 31, 1919. When his military duties were ended he returned to Toledo and resumed his association with the firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, a connection that is most helpful in his law work, while his practice is steadily increasing, both in volume and importance.

Mr. Guthrie is an active member of the Vernon McCune Post, American Legion, and his interests are those of a broad-minded and progressive young man who recognizes and meets the obligations of loyal American citizenship.

EDWARD HALE BELDEN

One of the chief factors in the rapid development and upbuilding of Toledo has been the automobile industry and it now ranks as the second city in the United States in the extent and importance of its interests along this line. Among the largest and most important industries of this nature which have been established in Toledo is the Willys-Overland Company, of which Edward Hale Belden is the vice president and chief engineer, and broad experience and superior professional ability well qualify him for the discharge of the responsible duties which devolve upon him in these connections. He was born in Jackson, Michigan, December 23, 1868, a son of Eugene and Harriet (Wildey) Belden, who were natives of Michigan and spent their lives in that state, the father devoting his attention to the occupation of farming. Both Mr. and Mrs. Belden have passed away. In their family were four children: Milton E., Judson E. and Gracie E., all of whom are still residing in Jackson; and Edward Hale.

The public schools of Jackson, Michigan, and the Detroit Business College afforded Edward Hale Belden his educational opportunities and when but fourteen years of age he became connected with the machinery department of the McCormick Harvester Company of Chicago, as a field expert. Later he took up the study of electrical engineering, gaining practical experience in the plants of the Fort Wayne and Westinghouse Electric companies. He completed his apprenticeship with the former firm, with which he remained for several years, and he afterward joined the Packard Motor Company of Detroit as assistant chief engineer, filling that position for three years. In 1916 he came to Toledo and has since been connected with the Willys-Overland Company, of which he is now serving as chief engineer and vice president. He is a man of marked ability in his chosen field and during the period of his identification with the firm he has designed all of the product for the Overland and Willys-Knight Company. His scientific knowledge and practical turn of mind have enabled him to find a ready and correct solution for difficult engineering problems and his work represents the highest degree of efficiency in the line in which he is specializing. He also possesses marked executive force and the ability to think in large terms and much of the prestige which the company today enjoys is attributable to his seasoned judgment and well directed efforts.

On the 2d of June, 1916, Mr. Belden was united in marriage to Miss Florence Phillips of New York city, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Phillips. Mr. Belden is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, the Toledo Club, the Inverness Country Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Detroit

Athletic Club and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. From an early age he has depended upon his own resources for a livelihood and his life history constitutes a splendid example of notable achievement through individual effort. His constantly expanding powers have taken him from humble circumstances to the field of large enterprises and continually broadening opportunities and he stands today among the foremost representatives of his profession.

ROBERT WILLIAMS LANG

Robert W. Lang, a member of one of the old and prominent families of Toledo, is widely and favorably known in this city, in which his life has been passed. He is recognized as an enterprising and progressive young business man, and as general manager of the Toledo branch of the Standard Manufacturing Company he is filling a position of large responsibility, to which he has risen through merit and ability. He was born in this city March 26, 1887, and is a son of Augustus H. and Sarah A. (Bodley) Lang, the former also a native of Toledo. The mother was born at Angola, Indiana, and came to this city in 1881, soon after her marriage. From 1887 until 1899 A. H. Lang served as secretary and treasurer of the Shaw-Kendall Engineering Company and in the latter year he withdrew from the firm, purchasing a large farm at Ontario, Virginia, but after operating that property for a few years he returned to his native city, in which he is now living retired, and the mother also survives. Seven children were born of their union, namely: Mrs. Florence Rawlinson, who resides at Shanghai, China; Frank G., deceased; Robert W., of this review; Delmar A., a traveling salesman, whose home is at Minneapolis, Minnesota; Alfred A., of Miami, Florida; Warren C., who is serving as postmaster of Ontario, Virginia; and Howard K., also a resident of Minneapolis.

Robert Williams Lang completed his education in the Central high school of Toledo, from which he was graduated in 1906, and he started out in the business world as office boy for the National Supply Company. He was with that firm for eight years and at the time of his resignation was acting as one of their traveling salesman. He accepted a similar position with the Standard Sanitary Supply Company, with which he has since been identified, and his advancement has been rapid. In 1919 he became assistant manager and on August 15, 1922, he was made manager of the Toledo branch, succeeding O. C. G. Brettell, who was placed in charge of the business at Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas. Mr. Lang is well qualified for this office, owing to his experience and ability and is bending every effort toward the further development of the interests under his charge, this being one of the large branches of the company in the country.

At Detroit, Michigan, on the 1st of November, 1911, Mr. Lang was married to Miss Blanche M. Gilday, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Gilday of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Lang have three sons: Robert W., Norman E. and Joseph F. Mr. Lang has never been unmindful of the duties of citizenship and through his membership in the Chamber of Commerce he is working effectively to promote the industrial prosperity of Toledo and expand its trade relations. He is a member of Barton Smith Lodge, F. & A. M., and also is identified with the Springfield, Ohio, lodge of Elks. He is likewise a member of the Optimist Club and his political tenets are those of the republican party. He has always endeavored to perform his duty according to the best of his ability and each step in his career

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has brought him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. His success has been founded upon hard work and perseverance and his life has been an exemplary one in all respects, winning for him the respect, confidence and goodwill of all with whom he has been associated.

JAMES HENRY PHEATT

James Henry Pheatt, a lifelong resident of Toledo, his connection with the city covering fifty-three years, passed away on the 12th of January, 1915. In the course of his active career he had been closely associated with business enterprises and with the political activity of his native city and was accorded leadership in democratic circles. Born on the 28th of September, 1861, he was a son of Gideon Kelsey and Anna Beatrice Pheatt. He represented one of the old New England families long since established on the Atlantic seaboard. His paternal grandfather was at one time governor of Vermont. The father was a gunsmith by trade and attained a point of expert efficiency in the line of his chosen occupation.

James Henry Pheatt, spending his youthful days under the parental roof, was a pupil in the public schools of Toledo and on starting out in the business world accepted a position with the Walding, Kinnan & Marvin Company, wholesale druggists, under whose direction he received his initial commercial experience. Later, in company with Frank I. King, he turned his attention to the dredging business, which they developed until their enterprise was a large and profitable one. They engaged in dredging sand, for which they found a ready sale, and Mr. Pheatt was connected with the undertaking for some time. He afterward became actively interested in politics and was elected a member of the city council, while subsequently he was chosen president of the council, exercising his official prerogatives in support of many plans and projects of direct public benefit. He was also elected to and filled the office of city auditor.

After a time, however, Mr. Pheatt again entered the commercial field by engaging in the tailoring business in connection with D. E. Nolan, while later he became manager of the Toledo Transfer Company and ultimately, associated with Alexander Arnold, he purchased the Merchants Delivery and was still actively interested in that business at the time of his demise, which occurred on the 12th of January, 1915.

Mr. Pheatt always gave his political allegiance to the democratic party and was recognized as one of its foremost representatives in this city, his opinions long carrying weight in its councils. Fraternally he was an Elk and active as chairman of the building committee having in charge the erection of the attractive Elks home in Toledo. His religious faith was that of the Presbyterian church and his life was guided at all times by the highest principles and standards of manhood and of citizenship.

Mr. Pheatt was married in Fremont, Ohio, July 5, 1892, to Miss Fannie Giralda Thompson, a daughter of John Pease and Nancy (Smith) Thompson. Her father was born in Fremont and was descended from Revolutionary war ancestry. There is to be seen a memorial at Spiegel Grove, Fremont, the former home of President Hayes, erected there in honor of the grandfather, Captain Thompson. Mrs. Pheatt is a graduate of the Fremont high school and came to Toledo, where she

specialized in the study of piano, voice culture and pipe organ. She possesses a voice of rare sweetness and made rapid advancement in the art of music. She was then sent to New York, where she studied voice under Senor Erani, and having completed her course in the eastern metropolis returned to Toledo, where she has sung at different times in all of the leading churches of the city, including the Protestant, the Catholic and the Jewish. Since the death of Mr. Pheatt she has occupied the position of supervisor of music in the public schools. To Mr. and Mrs. Pheatt were born seven children: Babette, Geralda, Nancy, Mary, James H., Jr., all of whom are graduates of the Toledo high school; Jeanne; and John. While the life record of James H. Pheatt covered but fifty-three years, he had gained for himself a most favorable position in the regard of his fellow townsmen and had made for himself a creditable place in the business and political circles of the city. His life was characterized by a marked devotion to duty and loyalty to any task which he attempted and thus it was that he made his labors extremely useful in the accomplishment of given purposes. His social qualities, too, endeared him to those who knew him and when he passed on he left behind him many friends.

N. J. RIER

The record of N. J. Rier furnishes a striking illustration of the power of perseverance and industry in the attainment of prosperity, for he is a self-made man who began life as an office boy and although but thirty-one years of age he is now at the head of one of the large mercantile houses of Toledo. He is one of Toledo's native sons and was born January 21, 1891, of the marriage of Barnard F. and Elizabeth (Sattler) Rier, the former a native of Minster, this state, and the latter of Cleveland. The father passed away in Toledo on the 5th of March, 1922, when sixty-four years of age, and for many years he had been in the service of the Lake Shore Railroad Company. The mother is still a resident of this city. To Mr. and Mrs. Rier were born five children: N. J., Carl, Anthony, Irene and Mrs. Francis Bodette, all of whom are living in Toledo.

In the acquirement of an education N. J. Rier attended St. Peter's parochial school and after completing a course at the Metropolitan Business College he entered the employ of the Berdan Company, wholesale grocers of Toledo. Starting as office boy, he zealously applied himself to his duties and as his experience and value increased he was intrusted with greater responsibilities, at length becoming traveling salesman. He was one of the most successful representatives of the firm and in 1913 was awarded the first prize as the result of a three months' contest, being presented with a gold watch. In 1919 he again received the first prize for salesmanship, winning the Harry Balf cup, which is one of his most cherished possessions. For fifteen years Mr. Rier remained with that concern, which he left on the 15th of June, 1920, with the good wishes of his fellow workers and employers, to establish a business of his own, organizing the N. J. Rier Company, of which he has since been the president. The other officers are: C. W. May, vice president; O. F. Smith, secretary; James Monaghan, treasurer; and P. J. Stalder, sales manager. They are wholesale confectioners handling several lines but featuring the Schrafft's brands principally. The business is capitalized at twenty-five thousand dollars, all of the stock having been subscribed for, and

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about ten persons are employed in the establishment, while seven salesmen cover the city and vicinity. Mr. Rier is keenly alive to every new avenue opened in the natural ramifications of the trade and his initiative spirit and executive powers have found expression in the development of a business of large proportions.

On the 5th of September, 1916, Mr. Rier was married to Miss Margaret Monaghan, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Monaghan of Toledo, and they have become the parents of two sons: Norman J., who was born in 1917; and Robert, born in 1919. Mr. Rier is a Roman Catholic in religious faith and he is also identified with the Knights of Columbus, in which he has taken the third degree. His public spirit is denoted by his membership with the East Side Commercial Club and he is independent in his political views, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations. He is a young man of energy, determination and superior business ability who has made a success of everything that he has undertaken, and Toledo has greatly profited by his progressive spirit and intelligently directed activities.

CARL BOVEE SPITZER

Carl B. Spitzer is a partner in the firm of Spitzer-Rorick & Company, and also vice president of the Spitzer-Rorick Trust & Savings Bank. He was born in Amherst, Ohio, on the 7th of February, 1877, the eldest son of Adelbert Lorenzo and Sarah Elizabeth (Strong) Spitzer, of whom mention will be found elsewhere in this work.

Carl B. Spitzer's parents removed to Toledo when he was but five years old. He graduated from the Toledo high school with the class of 1894, and attended Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, one year. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Yale with the class of 1899.

Mr. Spitzer began his business career with the pioneer bond house of Spitzer & Company, of which his father was one of the founders and a partner during the nearly forty years of its existence. This company was founded in 1882, by C. M. and A. L. Spitzer, and was the first bond house west of New York city to engage in the buying and selling of municipal bonds exclusively. On February 1, 1911, the firm name was changed to Spitzer-Rorick & Company, which maintains a foremost position among the leading bond and high grade investment security houses in Toledo.

Mr. Spitzer was one of the organizers of the Spitzer-Rorick Trust & Savings Bank and through his various connections occupies a prominent position in the financial life of the city.

On the 14th of September, 1904, Carl B. Spitzer was married to Miss Edna Josephine Brown, a daughter of Calvin Brown, who served for some time as president of the Toledo Public Library. Mr. and Mrs. Spitzer have four daughters: Jane, Nancy, Suzanne and Sarah. The religious faith of the family is that of the Episcopal church. Mr. Spitzer is also an active member of the Toledo Commerce Club, of which he was president in 1915, and he belongs to the Toledo Museum of Art, of which he is a trustee, to the Toledo Club and to the Toledo Country Club. He is active in the Federated Charities and in various organizations for Toledo's betterment and benefit and is likewise associated with activities of cultural worth to the community. He belongs to that class of dependable and

public-spirited citizens who do many unselfish things to advance public movements, from genuine civic pride. Mr. and Mrs. Spitzer are well known in Toledo's best social circles.

Their city residence is at No. 1835 Collingwood avenue, with a country home on the Maumee river, opposite the Country Club.

GEORGE U. ROULET

George U. Roulet, a member of one of the prominent pioneer families of Toledo, is president of the oldest manufacturing jewelry house in the city, having operated his present business for the past forty-five years, and throughout the period the firm name has stood as a synonym for high class workmanship, integrity and reliability in commercial circles here. He was born in Hoboken, New Jersey, May 12, 1857, and his parents were Frederick G. and Mary Emma (Callame) Roulet, both of whom were natives of Switzerland. On leaving that country they first established their home in Hoboken, New Jersey, where the father found work in New York city, at his trade—that of watchmaking—which he had learned in his native land. It is generally conceded that the Swiss watchmakers are the most expert and Mr. Roulet had acquired great skill in his work. On the 3d of July, 1866, he brought his family to Toledo and successfully followed his trade in this city until his demise.

His son, George U. Roulet, was but nine years of age at the time his parents settled in Toledo and he obtained the greater part of his education in the schools of this city, being graduated from high school in 1871. On starting out in life for himself he decided to follow in the footsteps of his father and completed his apprenticeship in the establishment of S. K. McKinstry, a well known manufacturing jeweler of this city. He was four years in learning the trade, starting with a salary of a dollar and a half a week, and he continued to follow this occupation in the employ of others until 1877, when he engaged in the manufacture of jewelry on his own account, establishing what is now The Roulet Company, which has since enjoyed a prosperous existence, the business developing with the growth of the city. He is president of the firm and his two sons are associated with him in the conduct of the business, which has become one of large proportions, the house having ever maintained a position of leadership in connection with the jewelry trade of the city. Mr. Roulet keeps thoroughly informed concerning all new developments in his line of work and his establishment, which is located at No. 319 Superior street, is conducted along the most modern and progressive lines. "Gifts that last" are made by The Roulet Company and not infrequently a piece of jewelry made by the firm from thirty to forty years ago turns up, its condition attesting the quality of materials and workmanship put into it. The firm's business is custom work, consisting of special orders mainly, and it manufactures emblematic goods of every description, including medals and presentation jewels, while for the past few years the concern has made quite a feature of covering wedding rings. Its shop equipment is complete and it makes up as wide a variety of alloys as any manufacturing jewelry house in the country. The establishment is a credit to the city and stands as a monument to the ability and enterprise of its founder.

On the 27th of October, 1880, Mr. Roulet was married to Miss Martha Schulle, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Schulle, prominent residents of Toledo, and they

have become the parents of three children, of whom Cornelia Belle is the eldest. She was educated in the public schools and resides at home; Lloyd E., the next in order of birth, attended the local schools and is now serving as vice president of The Roulet Company. He married Miss Edna B. Lewis, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Lewis of Toledo, and they have two daughters, Ruth and Alice; Norman L., the youngest member of the family, is a capable young business man and is filling the offices of secretary and treasurer of the company of which his father is the head. During the World war he enlisted in the aviation department of the United States army and spent seventeen months in training camps.

Mr. Roulet, Sr., was a member of the Ohio National Guard from 1871 until 1899 and retired with the rank of major of artillery. He is a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and in civic affairs he has ever been deeply and helpfully interested. He was a member of the commission which granted a franchise to the street railway company, from 1894 until 1898 he served on the board of aldermen, while from 1898 until 1901 he filled the office of city auditor, doing effective service in both connections. Since 1883 he has been identified with Masonry, having attained the Knights Templar degree in Toledo Commandery, and at present is commander of LaFayette Lyttle Commandery No. 77, while in Scottish Rite Masonry he has attained the thirty-third degree and is a noble of Zenobia Temple, Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the West Toledo Commerce Club and the Exchange Club. Through the force of his own powers he has risen to a foremost position in business circles of Toledo and the success and honor which he has won are well merited. His activities have been directed along those lines which have for their object public improvement and the advancement of the general welfare and he deserves classification with those men whose labors have made possible the present development and commercial prosperity of the city.

MILO STEELE GIBSON

Milo Steele Gibson, organizer and promoter of the bond and investment house operating under the name of the Gibson Company at Toledo, at Detroit and at Chicago, makes his home in Toledo. He is a native of Ohio, his birth having occurred in Dayton, June 1, 1892. He is a son of Grant Robinson and Laura Emily (Smith) Gibson. His father was for many years actively and successfully engaged in the bond and investment business but is now living retired.

Milo Steele Gibson obtained a public school education, passing through consecutive grades to the Central high school of Toledo, having become a resident of this city in 1904. Upon this training as a foundation he has built his success, learning many valuable lessons in the school of experience from time to time and constantly developing his powers through the exercise of effort. For two years he was an automobile salesman with the Chalmers interests and won honors among hundreds of contestants for efficiency and salesmanship. Later he was advanced to the position of advertising manager and subsequently was given a still more responsible position—that of sales promotion manager. He purchased the agency of the state of Michigan for the sale of the Detroit electric automobile but afterward sold the agency and entered the advertising firm of Baker R. & L. Company of Cleveland, Ohio, the advertising business having to do largely with the automo-

bile industry. His next work was that of efficiency engineer for the government during the World war, in charge of about sixty engineers at Akron, Ohio, employed in various rubber plants which furnished supplies to the country for war purposes. In 1919, his military duty having ended, Mr. Gibson was made sales manager of the Henry L. Doherty Company, a New York bond and investment house, capitalized for seven hundred and fifty million dollars and owning street car, light and other public utility corporations in various sections of the country. A year later, however, Mr. Gibson resigned to organize a bond and investment house under the name of the Gibson Company and not only established the Toledo office but also opened branches in Detroit and Chicago. His broad and varied experiences have made him an authority upon many financial questions and he is extremely accurate in his valuation of investment securities. A most progressive and determined spirit has actuated him in his establishment and conduct of the Gibson Company, the clientage of which is steadily increasing, until Mr. Gibson today occupies a notable and enviable position in financial circles of the middle west.

On the 17th of July, 1915, was celebrated the marriage of Milo Steele Gibson to Miss Clare Elizabeth Williamson of Detroit. They have become parents of two children: Elizabeth Jane and Geraldine Anna. Mr. Gibson belongs to the Beta Phi Sigma, a Greek letter fraternity, and he finds his recreation largely in motoring, making frequent automobile trips to various points. Throughout his business career he has been actuated by a most laudable spirit of advancement and he has never allowed obstacles or difficulties in his path in any way to bar his progress, knowing that these can be overcome by determined effort intelligently directed. The steps in his orderly progression are easily discernible and mark the constant unfolding of his powers and the development of his strength. In the so-called battles of the business world he has come off victor.

JAMES C. BURT

James C. Burt, one of Toledo's self-made men, has devoted his entire life to the foundry business and one of the largest industries of this nature in the city stands as a monument to his enterprising spirit and powers of organization. He was born at Buffalo, New York, March 19, 1864, a son of Calvin C. and Sarah (Curry) Burt, the former a native of Oswego, New York, and the latter of County Clare, Ireland. In early life the mother came to the United States and her marriage occurred in the city of Buffalo. In 1866 Mr. and Mrs. Burt arrived in Toledo and the father followed a seafaring life, sailing on the Great Lakes until his death, which occurred in the upper peninsula of Michigan, but the mother passed away in this city. In their family were seven children, of whom four survive: Mrs. E. Banker; George, who is also connected with maritime interests and is captain of a vessel plying on the Great Lakes; Daniel, a foundryman; and James C. All are residents of Toledo.

James C. Burt acquired his education in this city, attending the Franklin school, and he afterward served an apprenticeship to the molder's trade. He was employed in various foundries of Toledo until 1910, when he decided to embark in business on his own account, forming a partnership with John Holzscheiter. They secured a small room forty by sixty feet in dimensions near the Spark Plug building, which was adequate for their needs until 1914, when they secured additional space by the

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erection of an addition, and a year later another addition was found necessary. In 1917 they sold the business and a short time later Mr. Holzscheiter retired, thus leaving Mr. Burt to act upon his own initiative. Before taking a decisive step he consulted with Mr. C. O. Miniger of The Auto-Lite Company and they decided to erect the present factory, the site for which Mr. Burt had previously obtained an option on. The Auto-Lite Company promised him its financial assistance and the result was the organization of the Burt Foundry Company, of which he is now president and general manager. The business is conducted in a modern, two-story fireproof building of substantial construction and supplied with equipment of the most improved type. The dimensions of the foundry room are sixty by one hundred and seventy feet, the core room is thirty by one hundred and ten feet and the shipping room and office are thirty by ninety feet in extent. Since the building was completed it has been found necessary to secure an additional floor space of sixty-nine by one hundred and forty feet for the foundry room, thirty by forty-five feet for the shipping room and thirty by sixty-nine feet for the core room. Mr. Burt is an expert foundryman and carefully supervises every phase of the business, which has rapidly developed, owing to his judicious management and well formulated plans. One hundred and fifty men are now utilized in the operation of the foundry, which required but three employes when the business was established, and the concern has become one of large extent and importance.

On the 7th of July, 1889, Mr. Burt was married to Miss Ada Cavashere, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Cavashere, are members of a well known family of this city. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Burt, a son and a daughter. Reeve Burt, the elder, was born in 1895 and acquired his education in the Central high school. He is a capable young business man and is now acting as superintendent of the Burt Foundry Company. He married Miss Ivy Jennings and they have one child, Ada Virginia. Irene was born in 1891 and acquired her education in the public schools of this city. She married Clifford Robinson and they have one son, Walter James.

Mr. Burt is nonpartisan in his political views, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations. He has ever been actuated by the spirit of progress and his life has been one of activity and usefulness. In his chosen occupation he occupies a position of leadership and his record is a matter of pride to Toledo's citizens, who entertain for him the highest respect and esteem.

FRANCIS WILLIAM SIMMONS

Francis William Simmons, president, treasurer and general manager of the Simmons Boot & Shoe Company, wholesale dealers and manufacturers of footwear, occupies a prominent place in the commercial circles of Toledo. With insight that easily penetrates into the intricacies of the trade, with sound judgment and long experience, he has most wisely directed his interests, with the result that a business of large proportions has been established.

Francis William Simmons is a native son of Toledo, born August 7, 1874, his parents being William H. and Mary E. (Young) Simmons, both of whom are now deceased. The father was the founder of the business now conducted by the son and mention of him is made elsewhere in this publication.

Francis W. Simmons acquired his early education in the public schools of

Toledo and left high school to enter St. Paul's School at Concord, New Hampshire. There he prepared for Yale and was graduated from the Sheffield Scientific School in 1897, with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. Choosing a business career, he returned to Toledo and entered the employ of the Simmons Boot & Shoe Company in a minor capacity. After spending a period in mastering the details of the business and acquainting himself with every phase of the trade, he was advanced to the office of vice president and in 1906, after the death of his father, succeeded him as president, treasurer and general manager. While Mr. Simmons entered upon a business already long established, he was not content with existing conditions but has advanced in keeping with the progress of the times and bent his efforts to increased development which has resulted in the corporation attaining a prominent position in its line throughout the middle west. In 1913 the present large building at Nos. 133 to 137 St. Clair street was completed and in 1919 a branch house was established at Columbus, Ohio, to help take care of the constantly increasing trade.

On the 11th of January, 1913, Mr. Simmons was married to Miss Stella Arnsman, a daughter of Edward E. Arnsman of Toledo, and their three children are: Jane, Mary and John, the birth of the son occurring August 16, 1919. The family reside at No. 2271 Collingwood avenue.

Mr. Simmons is a member of Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., and appreciative of the social amenities of life, he has connection with the Toledo, Inverness and Country clubs. He is also a member of Trinity Episcopal church and is serving as one of its vestrymen. There have been no spectacular phases in his career, which is that of a resolute and successful business man who, with clearly defined purposes, has steadily pushed forward to his objective, contributing to the commercial progress and prosperity of the city as well as to the development of his own fortunes. Mr. Simmons is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and his cooperation can be counted upon to further measures for the general good. He is a republican in politics but is not bound by party ties.

FLORENCE GENEVIEVE CASSIDY

Mrs. Florence Genevieve Cassidy is conducting a select dancing school in Toledo, where for many years she has been prominently known in this connection and in musical circles. A native of South Bend, Indiana, she is a daughter of A. B. and Mary (Hess) McMichael. In her early girlhood she was sent as a pupil to St. Pius Convent of Chicago, where in addition to her regular school work she took lessons in piano and voice culture and also studied folk dancing. She afterward studied under Professors A. Walther, now of New York, and A. W. Kortheuer, deceased, taking piano and harmony.

On the 16th of March, 1906, Miss McMichael became the wife of Edward A. Cassidy and they have one daughter, Geraldine. In September, 1908, Mrs. Cassidy came to Professor Louis Schackne, a professor of dancing, her position being that of pianist, orchestra leader and assistant manager. She soon built up an orchestra of great merit the reputation of which was a strong feature of the pronounced success of the school. She learned much concerning the management of the business through her willingness to help out in any capacity where aid was needed. Since twelve years of age she has played in orchestra, taught piano and studied and

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has made constant progress in music, as well as in professional dancing. Mr. Schackne died on the 17th of March, 1920, and on the 1st of April, Mrs. Cassidy took over the lease, bought the fixtures and has since been conducting her own business, having charge of the orchestra and managing the dancing school at the same time. She has as assistant Mrs. Lulu Guckert Terry, daughter of E. N. Guckert, the "banjo wizard."

Mrs. Cassidy teaches only ballroom dancing and does not allow any of the jazz or extreme dances, tolerating only that which is refined and approved by the best tastes. In this connection she said: "We approve of the modern dances but will not permit freak dancing in our hall," and that it meets the desires of a well satisfied public is evidenced by the unprecedented success of the school since she took full control both financially and socially. Mrs. Cassidy further said: "Exaggerated forms of dancing are going the way of all ridiculous things and there is a growing fondness for the more dignified steps of the past season with a bit of an up-to-date swing to them." Mrs. Cassidy attends the Dancing Teachers' Institute, during the summer months, where she becomes familiar with all the latest and most approved dances in vogue. Her assembly nights are Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays with classes on Monday nights and on open nights she rents her hall for private parties. She also gives private lessons.

THOMAS C. FARRELL

Thomas C. Farrell, one of the younger representatives of the Toledo bar, has followed his profession in this city for the past twelve years and has demonstrated his ability to solve intricate and involved legal problems. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, November 4, 1889, of the union of Joseph B. and Agnes M. (Coffay) Farrell, the former also a native of Cleveland, while the birth of the latter occurred in Baltimore, Maryland. In early life she became a resident of Cleveland and it was in that city that her marriage occurred. Mr. Farrell became one of the prominent attorneys of Cleveland, continuing there in active practice until his death. The mother survives him. In their family were two children: Ralph and Thomas, both residents of Toledo.

Following his graduation from one of the high schools of Toledo, Thomas C. Farrell became a student at St. John's College of this city and later entered the Ohio Northern University, which bestowed upon him the LL. B. degree in 1910, upon the completion of a course in law. Returning to Toledo, he opened an office in this city, where he has since successfully engaged in practice. He has a thorough knowledge of statute and precedent, is careful in the preparation of cases and convincing in argument and has won many verdicts favorable to the interests of his clients. He has ever remained an earnest student of his profession and as his knowledge and ability have increased his practice has steadily grown.

Mr. Farrell is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church and his political allegiance is given to the democratic party. He enlisted for service in the World war and was commissioned a first lieutenant of the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Infantry. With his command he was ordered overseas and was stationed in France from July 1917, until July, 1919, when he returned to this country, where he was mustered out. He is a member of the American Legion and is also connected with the Lucas County Bar Association and the Toledo

Yacht Club. He is a young man of ability, energy and determination, whose professional career has been marked by continuous progress. Thoroughness characterizes all of his efforts and he conducts his law business with strict regard for a high standard of professional ethics.

NORMAN LEWIS CRAWFIS

Norman Lewis Crawfis, well known in business circles as the secretary and treasurer of the M. O. Baker Company, was born in Putnam county, Ohio, October 24, 1886, and is a son of George Clellan and Anna (Conine) Crawfis. The father is a farmer by occupation but is now living retired, having put aside the work of the fields in order to make his home in Toledo.

During the boyhood and youth of Norman Lewis Crawfis the family resided at Findlay, Ohio, where he pursued his education in the public and high schools. Early in his business career he held the position of office manager and bookkeeper for Armour & Company at Findlay for a period of two years and later he traveled for the Toledo Newspaper Company for a year. In 1907 he became associated with the firm of M. O. Baker & Company, commission merchants, as office manager and later acquired an interest in the business, which in 1917 was incorporated under the name of the M. O. Baker Company, of which Mr. Crawfis has since been the secretary and treasurer. As one of the officials he bends his attention to constructive efforts, to administrative direction and to executive control and his capability and powers are manifest in the success which is attending the undertaking.

On the 21st of May, 1907, Mr. Crawfis was married to Miss Christine M. Peterson of Toledo and they have become parents of two children: Norman Lewis, Jr., fourteen years of age; and Donald Conine, a lad of twelve. Mr. Crawfis finds his recreation largely in automobile touring. He is a member of the Commerce Club and is also a Mason of high rank, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in the Consistory, while with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. He is the possessor of many substantial qualities which have gained him the respect, confidence and goodwill of his fellowmen and during his residence in Toledo he has won for himself a most enviable position as a leading representative of business activity here.

ALBERT S. ZOPFI

Manufacturing interests of Toledo receive stimulus from the efforts of Albert S. Zopfi, secretary and treasurer of the Buckeye Clay Pot Company, one of the important productive industries of the city. He was born in Sullivan county, New York, January 18, 1874, of the marriage of Jacob and Elizabeth (Egler) Zopfi, the former a native of Switzerland and the latter of Massachusetts. In early life the father came to the United States, settling in Sullivan county, New York, where he continued to reside until called to his final rest, devoting his attention to the occupation of farming and conducting a tannery. Mrs. Zopfi is also deceased.

The district schools of Sullivan county, New York, afforded Albert S. Zopfi

his educational opportunities and he afterward engaged in teaching for a time. In 1894 he came to Ohio, locating at Findlay, where he successfully engaged in the manufacture of clay products until 1909, when he came to Toledo. In association with W. K. Brownlee he organized the Buckeye Clay Pot Company, of which he is now serving as secretary and treasurer, and in the intervening period the business has developed rapidly. The firm manufactures all kinds of fire clay products, disposing of a large portion of its output to the glass manufacturers, and utilizes from one hundred and thirty-five to one hundred and fifty men in the operation of its plant, which is thoroughly modern and is supplied with the most improved equipment. Mr. Zopfi also has business interests outside the city, being treasurer of the Farber Fire Brick Company of Farber, Missouri, which is likewise a prosperous business enterprise.

At Findlay, Ohio, on the 12th of May, 1898, Mr. Zopfi was united in marriage to Miss Jane Young, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Young, of that city, and they have a son, Thomas J., who was born in Findlay in 1899 and acquired his education in the public schools of Toledo, while he later attended St. John's College. He is an energetic and capable young business man and is now assisting his father in the conduct of his industrial interests.

Mr. Zopfi is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants & Manufacturers Association and does all in his power to promote the welfare and advancement of his city. He is also a member of the Rotary and Inverness Clubs and his political support is given to the republican party. Throughout his career he has closely applied himself to the work in hand and the years have marked his progress along lines which lead to success. As a business man his standing is of the highest and in all matters of citizenship his influence is on the side of progress and improvement.

JAMES ALBERT McAFEE

In 1909 James Albert McAfee was called to his present responsible position as manager for the Ohio State Life Insurance Company for the northwestern Ohio district and under his guidance the business of the corporation has since steadily grown and developed in this territory. He is a resourceful insurance man, thorough and systematic in all that he undertakes and his labors have been attended with gratifying results. Mr. McAfee is a native son of the Buckeye state, his birth having occurred at Fort Recovery on the 24th of February, 1859, his parents being James and Elizabeth J. McAfee. The father devoted his life to the occupation of farming but has now passed away.

Having mastered the branches of learning taught in the public and high schools of his native city, J. Albert McAfee afterward attended the Wooster (Ohio) College and thus completed his education. In 1882, when a young man of twenty-three years, he embarked in the retail hardware business at St. Marys, Ohio, and successfully conducted the store there through a period of fourteen years, selling out in 1896. In the meantime he had written life insurance for a number of years, or from 1884 until 1896, and since withdrawing from mercantile circles he has devoted his entire attention to the insurance business. In 1897 he came to Toledo and in 1909 was appointed manager of the Ohio State Life Insurance Company for the northwestern district of Ohio, having jurisdiction over twelve counties with

forty-five agents and sub-agents. Through the intervening period the business of the company has steadily grown in this territory, owing to his wise management and safe control. He has the ability of winning the cooperation of the representatives of the company in this territory, calling forth their best efforts in behalf of the business.

On the 25th of December, 1884, Mr. McAfee was married to Miss Madie Miller of St. Marys, Ohio, and they have two sons: Fay E. and Albert Lee, both of whom are engaged in the sale of automobile specialties in Toledo.

Mr. McAfee's interest aside from his business centers largely in church work and he is now a member of the official board of St. John's Methodist Episcopal church and is serving as treasurer of both the church and the Sunday school. He does all in his power to promote the growth and extend the influence of the church and to further in every way the moral development and progress of the community.

OSCAR B. HALLER

Oscar B. Haller, agency manager at Toledo for the Equitable Life Assurance Society, is a self-made man before whom the door of opportunity has swung open because of his persistence and determination and the success which he now enjoys is well merited. He was born at Bay City, Michigan, December 23, 1882, and is a son of Rev. John George and Rosetta (Brumm) Haller, natives of New York state. For many years the father was actively connected with the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal church, residing at Detroit, Michigan, during the greater part of his life, but he is now living retired at Port Huron, that state, and the mother also survives. They are the parents of three children: Hubert, a prominent manufacturer of Detroit; Mrs. Ruth Ottaway, whose home is at St. Clair, Michigan; and Oscar B.

The public schools of Bay City, Michigan, and the Detroit University School afforded Oscar B. Haller his educational opportunities and he began business life as a traveling salesman, acting in that capacity for ten years. He then entered the employ of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, with which he has since been connected, and for eight years was stationed at Saginaw, Michigan. His ability and enteprise soon won him advancement and in 1918 he came to Toledo as manager for the western Ohio district, comprising twenty-five counties. He has made a close study of insurance and owing to his aggressive methods and untiring efforts has been able to build up a large business for the company in the territory of which he has charge, being recognized as one of its most successful managers.

At Saginaw, Michigan, on the 14th of November, 1906, Mr. Haller was married to Miss Gertrude Granville, a daughter of Robert Granville, a prominent merchant of that city, and they have two children: Oscar Robert, who was born at Saginaw in 1909 and is a pupil at the Fulton school of Toledo; and Dorothy Ann, who was born in that city in 1911 and is also attending the Fulton school.

Mr. Haller is a member of the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church, in the work of which he takes an active and helpful interest, and is serving on its official board. His political tenets are those of the republican party and his deep interest in the welfare and advancement of his city is indicated by his connection with the Chamber of Commerce. He is a Knights Templar Mason and in the Consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. He is also a member of the Toledo Yacht Club. Mr.

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Haller has led an active and useful life, employing every opportunity to advance, and his present success is entirely attributable to his own labors. He is energetic, straightforward and progressive and measures up to the highest standards of personal honor and present-day business ethics.

FORDYCE BELFORD

Fordyce Belford, referee in bankruptcy and member of the legal profession in Toledo, was born in Caldwell, Ohio, April 25, 1868, his parents being Irvin and Anna (Caldwell) Belford, both of whom were natives of Ohio and representatives of old pioneer families of the state, the town of Caldwell having been named in honor of the maternal grandfather. Irvin Belford removed to Toledo and engaged in the practice of law here for many years, or until the time of his death, ranking high as a capable representative of the profession. His wife has also passed away and in their going the community mourned the loss of two of its highly esteemed and representative residents.

Fordyce Belford attended the public schools of Caldwell until the removal of the family to Toledo, after which he pursued his high school course here. He next entered the University of Michigan and was graduated with the class of 1891, completing the law course and thus qualifying for his life work. Returning to Toledo he began practice independently and in a profession where advancement depends entirely upon individual merit and ability he has worked his way steadily upward, advancing step by step until he is today one of the best known and most successful attorneys of the city. In 1898 he was appointed referee in bankruptcy and has filled the position continuously since, covering a period of almost a quarter of a century.

On the 28th of June, 1894, Mr. Belford was married to Miss Cecile Schneider of Toledo, daughter of John C. Schneider. His name is on the membership rolls of the Inverness Club and the Exchange Club and he is also an exemplary representative of the Masonic lodge. Along the strict path of his profession he has membership relations with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations and he enjoys and merits the confidence and goodwill of his associate lawyers, by reason of his close conformity to the highest standards and ethics of the profession.

JAMES RUSSELL EMERY

James Russell Emery, consulting engineer, practicing as a partner of the firm of Froehlich & Emery, with offices in Toledo and Detroit, was born in Hancock, Michigan, September 8, 1888, and is a son of George Warren and Ada Mary (Sleeth) Emery. The father, who was a real estate dealer through many years, has passed away.

In the acquirement of his education James R. Emery attended the public schools of Houghton and of Saginaw, Michigan, mastering the work of the grades and of the high schools. With his entrance into business life he obtained employment in electrical railroad shops and power houses, learning the electrical business by experience and private study. For a time he was connected with the Railway

Light & Power companies at various places and through each new experience gained knowledge of great value to him, leading to his steady advancement. Eventually he became associated with Frederick Herman Froehlich, under the firm style of Froehlich & Emery, consulting engineers, with offices in both Toledo and Detroit and doing business largely over Ohio, Michigan and Indiana. The company was incorporated in 1916 with Mr. Emery as the vice president and secretary. A large part of their work is municipal and the firm has very high standing in professional circles.

On the 13th of June, 1917, Mr. Emery was married to Miss Charlotte Maul of Port Clinton, Ohio. He belongs to the Toledo Yacht Club and is a Mason, having taken the degrees of the lodge, chapter and council. He is also a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, which indicates his high efficiency in his chosen profession. His knowledge has been self-acquired and the constant development of his skill through experience and study has placed him in a commanding position in engineering circles in the middle west.

J. FRANK DELAPLANE

For twenty-five years J. Frank Delaplane has been a resident of Toledo, which has greatly benefited by his citizenship, and as secretary-treasurer of the Conde Cloak Company he is an important factor in the management and control of one of the large manufacturing concerns of the city. He was born near Tiffin, Ohio, August 24, 1882, and his parents were John Franklin and Elizabeth (Nichols) Delaplane, the former a native of Maryland and the latter of Virginia. At an early period in their lives they came to Ohio and the father subsequently became connected with the live stock and meat industry at Sycamore, devoting many years to that business. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war and his demise occurred on the 1st of December, 1908. The mother passed away in April, 1915. They had a family of six children: Harry M. and Fred N., residents of Sycamore; Ralph N. of Toledo; and Benjamin H., also residing in Sycamore; Grace Virginia, deceased; and J. Frank.

J. Frank Delaplane acquired his public school education at Sycamore, Ohio, and later attended a college at Ada, this state, after which he took up educational work, teaching in the schools of Wyandot county for three years. In 1897 he came to Toledo, entering the employ of the Alexander Black Cloak Company, with which he was connected for fifteen years, and during that period he gained a comprehensive knowledge of the business. In 1913, in association with others, he organized the Conde Cloak Company, of which he is now serving as secretary and treasurer and sales manager, while M. R. Cohn is filling the office of president and J. A. Applebaum is the vice president. They manufacture ladies' cloaks and suits and have developed an extensive business, utilizing from two hundred to two hundred and fifty employes in their factory, while they are represented in the western and middle western states by a large force of traveling salesmen. Mr. Delaplane has formulated many of the plans for the upbuilding of the undertaking and the expansion of its trade and his energy and business acumen have been controlling forces in the attainment of the success which is now attending the activities of the firm.

Mr. Delaplane has been married twice. On the 10th of August, 1907, at Tiffin, Ohio, he wedded Miss Ida May Grummel, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grum-

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mel of Upper Sandusky. She passed away August 2, 1912, leaving two sons: Robert D., who was born in Toledo in 1908; and J. Frank, Jr., who was born June 18, 1912. For his second wife Mr. Delaplane married Miss Lucille Russell, the wedding taking place at Dayton, Ohio, on the 15th of August, 1916. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Russell, members of a prominent family of Logan county.

Mr. Delaplane is a member of the Second Church of Christ, Scientist, and his political support is given to the platform and candidates of the republican party. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree and he is also a member of the Inverness Country Club, Exchange Club and the Toledo Automobile Club. He has attained success by strict integrity, the conscientious discharge of all obligations and unremitting attention to an industry in which he takes a great interest and which he thoroughly understands. He is recognized as a substantial business man and progressive citizen and has made many stanch friends during the period of his residence in Toledo.

SAMUEL D. DEMPSEY

Since 1905 Samuel D. Dempsey has been identified with commercial interests of Toledo and he is now numbered among the successful business men of the city, being president and treasurer of the Dempsey-McMann Optical Company, with office, show room and laboratory in the Produce Exchange building. He was born at Howell, Michigan, July 29, 1874, and his parents, Milton and Mary (McWilliams) Dempsey, were natives of New York state. In early life they removed to Michigan, establishing their home at Howell, where the father entered business circles as a carpenter contractor, and many of the prominent buildings in that place stand as monuments to his skill and ability. He continued a resident of Howell until his demise. The mother has also passed away.

The grammar and high schools of his native town afforded Samuel D. Dempsey his educational opportunities and his initial business experience was obtained in the employ of a prominent jeweler of Howell. He continued to follow the trade there and also in other localities until 1905, when he came to Toledo and organized the Dempsey-McMann Optical Company, which has since enjoyed a prosperous existence. They are manufacturers of optical goods, conducting a wholesale trade, and theirs has become one of the leading houses of the kind in the city. Mr. Dempsey is serving as president and treasurer of the company and his executive ability, thorough understanding of the business and progressive methods have enabled him to develop an undertaking of large proportions.

At Leipsic, Ohio, on the 10th of November, 1903, Mr. Dempsey was united in marriage to Miss Jessie Barton, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Barton, and they have two sons: Philip, who was born at Marion, Indiana, in 1905, and is attending the Scott high school of Toledo; and Barton, who was born in this city in 1907 and is also a pupil in that school.

Mr. Dempsey is independent in his political views, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations, and through his membership with the Chamber of Commerce he does all in his power to promote the industrial development of the city. He is a prominent Mason, belonging to the commandery and Shrine, and he is also connected with the Exchange Club and the Sylvania Golf Club. He is a man of resolute purpose and marked strength of character who

deserves great credit for what he has accomplished, for it has been won through earnest, self-denying effort. He has ever based his activity in commercial affairs upon strict integrity and unabating industry and in business circles of the city his standing is of the highest, while in all matters of citizenship his influence is on the side of advancement and improvement.

ALBERT H. LUMM

Among the alert, energetic and farsighted young business men who have selected Toledo as the field of their operations is numbered Albert H. Lumm, who is engaged in the manufacture of the Alco sheet metal products, and in his life he typifies the spirit of progress and enterprise which has been the dominant factor in the rapid upbuilding and development of the city. He was born in Garrett, Indiana, April 17, 1890, and is a son of Conrad and Pauline (Benner) Lumm, both of whom were natives of Germany. In early life they came to the United States, first locating at Toledo and subsequently removing to Garrett, Indiana, where the father successfully engaged in merchandising. Subsequently they returned to Toledo and are still residing in this city. Eight children were born to their union: Mrs. William D. Newman, Albert H., William, Emma, John R., George W., Dorothy and Bertha, all of whom are living in Toledo.

In the acquirement of an education Albert H. Lumm attended the grammar schools of Garrett and Auburn, Indiana, and Freeport, Illinois, and his high school course was completed at Garrett. In his father's shop he served four years' apprenticeship to the sheet metal trade and for a time he worked in Chicago, Illinois, but later came to Toledo, where he followed his trade for four years. He then went to Auburn, Indiana, and was associated in business with his father until March, 1914, when he returned to Toledo and organized the A. H. Lumm Company, of which he has since been the head. From a modest beginning has been developed an undertaking of large proportions and the business is now conducted in a large, modern and well equipped factory situated at No. 3559 Monroe street, which was erected by the company, but owing to the rapid increase in its trade the firm is now seeking more commodious quarters. The concern manufactures the Alco sheet metal products for the completion of heating and ventilating systems in schools, hotels, churches, theaters, banks, hospitals, factories and other buildings. Its trade has extended far beyond the boundaries of the state and its products, which include ventilating fans, dust collectors and enameling and japanning ovens, have been installed in many school buildings in Illinois, Iowa, Indiana and Michigan, as well as throughout Ohio. Mr. Lumm has about fifty employes, whose labors he carefully supervises, and the work turned out of his plant has ever been characterized by a high standard of excellence, being of superior quality and design. He has been watchful of every indication pointing to success and displays determination, keen sagacity and marked executive ability in the management of the business, which he is conducting along the most modern and progressive lines, productive of gratifying results. He has never dissipated his energies over a broad field but has continued in the same line of activity which he entered as a young man, gaining that specialized knowledge which makes him an expert in his line of work.

On the 25th of December, 1912, Mr. Lumm was married to Miss Myra Rose

Preece, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Preece, well known residents of this city, and they have become parents of four children: Evelyn, who was born October 13, 1913, and is attending school; Fred, who was born in 1915 and is also a public school pupil; Albert, born in 1920; and William Conrad, whose birth occurred on the 7th of May, 1922.

Mr. Lumm is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a member of the Toledo and Auburndale Chambers of Commerce, the Sheet Metal Contractors Association, the Builders Exchange and the Merchants & Manufacturers Association. His fraternal connections are with the Masons and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a young man of unusual energy and business acumen who has won success through industry, ability and persistency of purpose, and his labors have found expression in the development of an important manufacturing enterprise, which is not only a source of individual prosperity but also contributes to the industrial activity and upbuilding of the city with which he has allied his interests.

ERNEST FREDERICK KELLER

Entering business circles at an age younger than that at which most people make their initial step, Ernest Frederick Keller has always been identified with activities in the real estate and insurance field and by reason of his close application, his thoroughness and continuity of purpose, he has steadily advanced, winning a most creditable position in this line of labor. Mr. Keller is a native son of Toledo, born May 8, 1891, his parents being Henry and Marie (Zeeb) Keller. The father has long been a well known and honored grocery merchant of the city, where he has engaged in business for the past twenty-two years.

At the usual age Ernest F. Keller became a pupil in the public schools and mastering the work of successive grades he eventually became a high school student. Later he pursued a law course in the Toledo University. He at one time attended business college and at the age of fifteen he became identified with the real estate and insurance business, being now senior member of the firm of Keller and Senn. In this field he has continued. His success is attributable no doubt in large part to the fact that he has never dissipated his energies over a wide territory but has concentrated his efforts and attention upon a single line, with the result that his entire power and strength have been directed to the attainment of a single purpose. The results which he has accomplished have been most gratifying and he is well known as a representative young business man of the city, having always maintained his office in the Spitzer building.

On the 14th of June, 1917, Mr. Keller was united in marriage to Gertrude Cominator of Toledo and they are parents of an interesting little daughter, Kathryn Marie, born May 29, 1920, in Toledo. The year following his marriage Mr. Keller responded to the country's call for service in the World war. He became a private on the 4th of August, 1918, but was soon made sergeant in charge of the pay roll of the Sixty-eighth Infantry and was engaged in duty until mustered out on the 20th of February, 1919. He belongs to the Toledo Association of Credit Men, Toledo Fire Underwriters Association, Royal Arcanum, and Harry Kern Post, American Legion. He also has membership in the Chamber of Commerce and is interested in the well organized plans and efforts of that body to

further the welfare and promote the business development and civic interests of the city. For ten years he has been an active worker in behalf of the Lutheran Orphanage and Old Folks' Home and for a period of six years has served as one of the directors of the institution. He resides at No. 4241 North Haven avenue.

RICHARD SURGESON

For a period of eight years Richard Surgeson has been connected with the business interests of Toledo, where he is now engaged in metal work, having established an enterprise of his own in 1920. He comes to the Buckeye state from New England, his birth having occurred in North Adams, Massachusetts, on the 12th of June, 1874. He is a son of William and Mary (McMullen) Surgeson and while spending his youthful days in his father's home pursued his education in the public schools of his native state. Early starting out in the business world, he learned the sheet metal trade while in Massachusetts and later he went on the road as a traveling salesman with the Ellington-Curtis Manufacturing Company. Afterward he represented the George B. Wilcox Company and became general superintendent of one of the plants of the latter corporation. He was with them for eight years. The business opportunities of Toledo drew him to this city in 1914 and here he became connected with metal working. He was employed along that line for a number of years, successfully acquainting himself with the different phases and features of the business, and in 1920 he established a plant of his own at No. 1209 Cherry street. There he has since carried on business with success, having gained a liberal patronage as the months have passed by.

In 1893 Mr. Surgeson was united in marriage to Miss Mary Wilson, a native of Ireland, who came to America from the Emerald isle during her childhood days. To this marriage have been born eight children: Alva, Francis, William, Russell, Donald, Morris, Howard and Ellen. The family have become well known during the eight years of their residence in Toledo and the members of the household have gained many warm friends here. Mr. Surgeson is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and several other civic organizations.

EDGAR P. MULL

Edgar P. Mull, secretary and treasurer of the Allen Filter Company of Toledo, and also secretary of the Merrell Realty Company, is thus well known as a representative of business interests in his adopted city. California is his native state, his birth having occurred on the 15th of April, 1861. His parents were Elijah W. and Lavisa S. Mull. He is also a great-great-nephew of Governor Lucas, who was governor of Ohio from 1834 to 1836, and who was very active in the settlement of what was known as the Toledo war. To honor him for his service in this connection Lucas county was so named. He was afterward appointed territorial governor of Iowa by President Buchanan.

Edgar P. Mull attended the public schools of Marysville, California, completing a high school course there, after which he started upon his business career as a bookkeeper in the employ of E. W. Ross & Company, hardware merchants of that

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city. In 1883 he came east and settled in Minneapolis, engaging in the manufacture of flour mill machinery. Later he was connected with leading manufacturing interests in Chicago. He dates his residence in Toledo from 1892. After having been an important factor in building up a large wholesale business in Toledo, Mr. Mull has become a vital part of the executive force of the Allen Filter Company, being its secretary and treasurer. Mr. Allen has been largely responsible for the unusual growth of the business and has contributed to the mechanical perfection of the Allen Filter Company's product.

In Toledo, on the 5th of June, 1890, Mr. Mull was married to Miss Jennie Merrell, a daughter of Thomas S. Merrell. Mr. and Mrs. Mull hold membership in the First Congregational church, in the work of which they are actively and helpfully interested, and he is serving as superintendent of the Church school. He also is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Historical Society of Northwestern Ohio, the Toledo Museum of Art, the Exchange Club and the Toledo Commerce Club. He possesses the progressive spirit which has been the characteristic and dominating element in the upbuilding of the far west, from which he comes, and the ready adaptability which enables him wisely to use his time, talents and opportunities in the accomplishment of his purposes.

GEORGE H. NETTLEMAN

George H. Nettleman, president of the wholesale produce firm operating under the name of Jackson, Lee & Company at Toledo, belongs to that class of substantial citizens who have won the proud American title of self-made men. There were no particular advantages to aid him at the outset of his career, but steadily and persistently he has worked his way upward, neglectful of no duty or opportunity, until he now occupies an enviable place in commercial circles. He was born in Coldwater, Michigan, November 22, 1860, his parents being John B. and Susan (Rubley) Nettleman, the former a native of Germany, while the latter was born in Switzerland. Coming to America in early life, the father devoted many years to farming. He lived for a time in Steuben county, Indiana, but subsequently took up his abode in Michigan, where his remaining days were largely passed. His death occurred in Coldwater and his widow afterward became a resident of Toledo, where she departed this life when more than eighty-six years of age. In their family were four daughters and three sons.

George H. Nettleman was a pupil in the public schools of Coldwater, Michigan, thus qualifying for life's practical and responsible duties, after which he went to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where he was employed as a messenger by the United States Express Company. In 1881 he arrived in Toledo and, remaining with the express company, occupied the position of cashier here until 1889. In the meantime he had been studying the business situation with a desire to engage in some independent venture whereby he might enjoy the profits of his own labors. Accordingly, in 1889, he joined the wholesale produce and commission firm of Jackson, Lee & Company and upon the death of the senior partner, Mr. Jackson, the business was taken over by Harry R. Lee and Mr. Nettleman, though the firm style has never been altered. Associated with this enterprise for a third of a century, Mr. Nettleman has been a salient factor in its steady growth and

development and it is today not only the oldest but also one of the largest produce interests in Toledo. With the passing years Mr. Nettleman has acquired more and more of the stock in the business and is now sole owner. He handles produce from all parts of the country and his trade is today one of mammoth proportions. He also became associated with his brother Franklin in the ownership of the Ohio Broom & Supply Company of Toledo, which was extensively engaged in broom manufacture, the business being conducted solely on a wholesale basis until it was discontinued in 1915.

Mr. Nettleman has been married twice. On the 12th of February, 1883, he wedded Miss Carrie A. Brainard of Coldwater, Michigan, who died in Toledo, March 26, 1900. On December 4, 1901, he was again married, his second union being with Miss Lenore Gosting of St. Louis, Missouri, and they have become parents of a daughter and a son: Suzanne, who was born September 8, 1904, in Toledo, and is a graduate of the Scott high school; and John B., who was born May 30, 1908, and is attending the Scott high school.

In politics Mr. Nettleman maintains an independent course, voting for men and measures rather than party and always considering the capability of the candidate in relation to the public duties which he aspires to discharge. Mr. Nettleman belongs to the Toledo Automobile Club and finds much of his recreation in motoring. He is identified with the Chamber of Commerce and in Masonry has taken the degrees of both York and Scottish Rites, loyally adhering to the teachings and high purposes of the craft. Furthermore his course has ever been actuated by his religious faith, his membership being in the Ashland Avenue Baptist church. He has made wise use of his time and opportunities throughout his life and made equally wise use of the prosperity which has been the legitimate reward of his labor.

MICHAEL HOEFLINGER

Michael Hoeflinger was the only child of Michael and Elizabeth (Breitling) Hoeflinger and was born in Bavaria, Germany, July 22, 1851. The father died when the son was quite young and at the age of sixteen years he came with his widowed mother to America. What schooling he was able to acquire was gleaned while he was still a small boy, as he early faced the necessity of providing for his own support and began learning the trade of cabinetmaking, which he followed in connection with the undertaking business that claimed much of his attention in later life.

On arriving in America, Michael Hoeflinger and his mother went to Oak Harbor, Ohio, where they had relatives living, and there remained for a few months. The year 1867, however, witnessed his advent in Toledo and here his knowledge of cabinetmaking stood him in good stead, as it enabled him to secure a position in the employ of Newhaus & Allen. That his work was acceptable and that he was faithful, loyal and efficient is indicated in the fact that he remained with that firm for ten years. He was, however, ambitious to engage in business on his own account and when that decade had passed he found a way to carry out his cherished plan. He opened the first undertaking establishment in East Toledo in the old Platt building at Front and Main streets and there he engaged in cabinetmaking and undertaking, stopping his cabinent work when necessary in order to make a coffin. He was often called upon for service of this kind on both sides of the river, and in 1883 when the

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bridge across the river was out, he often took coffins across the stream in a rowboat to provide for the needs of the west side. As the years passed his business steadily grew, becoming a large and important one, and in time he ranked with the foremost undertakers of the city. He had a wide acquaintance throughout Toledo, by reason of his forty-five years' connection with its business interests.

On the 9th of October, 1877, Mr. Hoeflinger was united in marriage to Miss Susanna Schneider, who came to Toledo to join her father, who had preceded the family here several years. Her mother died in Baden, Germany, and she made the trip to the new world with a brother and a sister in a sailing vessel. Her parents were John and Dorothy (Arnold) Schneider and the family was one of the early German families in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Hoeflinger became the parents of nine children, four of whom have passed away, while those still living are: Theodore G., who is conducting the undertaking establishment founded by the father; Agnes M., who is Toledo's first licensed lady embalmer, associated with her brother in business; Mrs. Charles Dunn, living in Curtice, Ohio; Mrs. Gertrude Martin of Toledo; and Mrs. Frederick Hasselkus of Elmore, this state. During the World war Theodore Hoeflinger served with the American forces and participated in the St. Mihiel drive and the battle of the Argonne forest, where he was badly wounded by shrapnel in October, 1918, his wounds almost causing him to bleed to death. He was taken to the hospital, where he finally recovered from his injuries, receiving his discharge at Camp Custer, Michigan, on March 29, 1919. On June 17, 1920, he was married to Miss Gertrude A. Tschan of Toledo and they have one child, Helen Grace.

Michael Hoeflinger, the father, was one of the early members of the Sacred Heart parish of Toledo and devoted much time, labor and money in assisting to erect the present beautiful Sacred Heart church. Although he led a very active life he was never too busy to aid with counsel or effort and was one of the devoted Christians of whom the parish priest said: "He was indeed a pillar of the church." He belonged to the Sacred Heart choir, was also a member of the St. Lawrence Society, of the Knights of Columbus and of the Catholic Order of Foresters. He also held membership in the St. Louis Society and with the Knights of the Maccabees, was a member of the Bavarian Society, the German Beneficial Union and the East Side Commercial Club, the Pioneer Society of Toledo, the Knights of Security, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Helvatia Maennerchor. These connections indicated the nature and breadth of his interests and his support of many measures and projects looking to the benefit and upbuilding of the city and the advancement of its material and moral interests. He passed away March 28, 1922, and in his passing Toledo lost one of its old-time and honored business men and representative residents.

JOHN DIETRICH GERKEN

John Dietrich Gerken, the president and general manager of the J. D. Gerken Company, handling sheet metal work and furnaces at Toledo, was born in Germany, October 1, 1869, and is a son of John Henry Herman and Hanna G. (Wuerdemann) Gerken, who in the year 1884 removed to Toledo, where the father entered business circles as a wholesale dealer in meat. In this line he continued for a number of years but has now passed away.

John Dietrich Gerken was a youth of nineteen years when the family home was established in Toledo and here he continued his education in the manual training school. When he was a youth of sixteen he was apprenticed to the sheet metal trade, working in a shop until he had thoroughly acquainted himself with the business in principle and detail. Steadily he worked his way upward, earning his promotions through ability, and in 1898 he organized the J. D. Gerken Company, of which he is the president and general manager. The capital needed for this step was furnished by his own industry and economy. He has since given his attention to the conduct of the business, which includes sheet metal work and the installation of furnaces in homes. The company is capitalized for twenty thousand dollars and the business is steadily increasing.

On the 24th of April, 1895, Mr. Gerken was married to Miss Jane Elizabeth Madden of Toledo and they have a family of three sons: George Edward, who is a practicing physician; John Dietrich, Jr., who is the vice president of the J. D. Gerken Company; and Theodore Russell, who is secretary and treasurer of the Marshall-Gerken Company, handling radio goods.

Mr. Gerken is identified with the Knights of Columbus and also with the Young Men's Christian Association. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and to the Maumee River Yacht Club. A resident of Toledo from early manhood, he is widely and favorably known here and has many friends who esteem him highly. That his is a well-spent life is indicated in the fact that many of his stanchest friends are those who have known him from early manhood to the present time. He has membership in the Merchants & Manufacturers Association, the Builders Exchange of Toledo and the Sheet Metal Contractors Association.

HENRY HIRSCH

Henry Hirsch, organizer and president of the Henry Hirsch Seed Company, one of the large wholesale seed enterprises of Ohio, with the main plant and offices in Toledo and also a plant at Archbold, this state, was born in Germany, February 11, 1853, and is a son of Samuel and Yetta (Gideon) Hirsch, who spent their lives in Germany, where the father engaged in the produce business throughout his active career. Both he and his wife have passed away. Four of their six children are living, namely: Mrs. Ricke Staadecker; Max; Mrs. Helen Simon; and Henry.

In his youthful days Henry Hirsch attended the schools of his native land and after coming to America in 1874, about the time he attained his majority, he attended night school and also promoted his knowledge by home study and reading in leisure hours. He thus familiarized himself with the language of the country and the customs of the people. He became a resident of Archbold, Ohio, in 1874, and there first secured a position as a day laborer but it was not long before he had established himself in the wholesale seed business by organizing a small enterprise of that kind. As the years have passed this has developed into the Henry Hirsch Seed Company, of which he has always been sole owner and through the intervening period the business has grown from a very modest concern to one of large proportions as the result of his careful guidance and close application. He still has a large business as a wholesale dealer in seed at Archbold, where he maintains an extensive warehouse and there he resided until 1914, when he came to Toledo, and in 1920 purchased a modern building at No. 111 South Huron

street. This has since been the home plant and office of the Henry Hirsch Seed Company, the trade relations of which cover a wide territory and represent large sales.

On the 14th of August, 1881, Mr. Hirsch was married to Miss Bell Hielbron of Archbold, Ohio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Hielbron, who were natives of Delphos, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Hirsch have become parents of three children: Seymour, who is engaged in business with his father, was born in Archbold in 1885 and was educated in the schools of Cleveland, Ohio. He married Miss Jane Edlof of Detroit and they have two children, John, born June 9, 1915, and Betty, born February 24, 1921; Harry, the second son, born in Archbold in 1887, is also associated with his father in the wholesale seed trade. During the World war he enlisted and was at Camp Sherman when the armistice was signed; Mrs. Lucille Wolf, the third of the family, was born in Archbold in 1894 and pursued a high school education there, after which she attended the Frances Shimer Academy at Mt. Carroll, Illinois. She resides in Toledo and has two children, Bell Joan and Frederick Henry Wolf.

Mr. Hirsch is a member of the Collingwood Avenue Jewish temple. He belongs also to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and he is a member of the Masonic lodge at Archbold and of the Eastern Star. His political allegiance is given to the republican party but the honors and emoluments of office have had no attraction for him. His business has claimed his undivided time and attention and he has made for himself a creditable place in commercial circles, developing his interests until he is now one of the prominent wholesale seed men of this state. He has always made good use of his time and opportunities and the elemental strength of his character was shown in the way in which he provided for his education in his early manhood. His success is a merited reward of indefatigable labor and his course should serve to inspire and encourage others, showing what may be accomplished through personal efforts.

FRED NICHOLS GOOSMAN

When but seventeen years of age Fred Nichols Goosman became identified with the piano trade of Toledo and for many years has been at the head of a business of his own, conducted under the name of the Goosman Piano Company. He has made this one of the leading music houses of the city and an analyzation of his career shows that his success has been based upon thoroughness, enterprise, indefatigable energy and close application. Mr. Goosman is a native of Sandusky, Ohio, born October 30, 1872. His parents were Peter and Rose (Trager) Goosman and the father engaged in the livery and transfer business. The son, entering the public schools at the usual age, mastered the work of successive grades until he had completed the high school course in Sandusky. He then looked about him for a favorable line in which to enter upon his business career and at the age of seventeen became identified with the piano trade. He dates his residence in Toledo from 1905, at which time he became branch manager for a piano company. He had previously gained good experience in his chosen field of labor and he has never sought to figure in any other line of business, so that he is today thoroughly familiar with every phase of the piano trade and can talk most intelligently about every make of piano on the market. He deals in the standard grade of musical

instruments and it has ever been his endeavor thoroughly to please his customers—a quality which combined with his reliable dealing has gained a most enviable reputation for his own house. Ambitious to carry on business for himself, he gave up his position as manager in 1911 and organized the Goosman Piano Company, of which he is today practically the sole owner. His establishment is attractive in its appointments and the line of pianos and musical instruments handled and his many satisfied patrons have proved an excellent advertisement. In 1922 he was elected president of the Ohio Piano Dealers Association.

Mr. Goosman was married January 20, 1913, to Miss Bernice Laskey of Toledo, a representative of one of the old and prominent families of this city. Mr. Goosman is well known in club circles, having membership in the Toledo Exchange Club, of which he is the president, the Toledo Automobile Club, of which he is a director, and in the Retail Merchants Board, in which he is serving on the executive committee. He likewise belongs to the Toledo Club and through his fraternal connections has become a thirty-second degree Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine. He strongly endorses the principles and purposes of this fraternity and he is at all times a progressive and public-spirited citizen whose aid and cooperation can be counted upon to further definite and well devised plans for the public good. He owns his residence at No. 59 Kenilworth drive.

LAUREL DELGARDO GOTSHALL

Well defined plans and definite purposes have characterized the business career of Laurel Delgardo Gotshall, now president of the Gotshall Manufacturing Company, in which connection he is extensively engaged in the manufacture of hardwood lumber. Born in Richland, Ohio, on the 9th of May, 1860, he is a son of Solomon and Mariah (Whisler) Gotshall. The father devoted his life to farming and to the sale of farm implements, remaining active in business along those lines until his life's labors were ended in death.

L. D. Gotshall supplemented his public school education by study in the Valparaiso University of Indiana and when his course there was completed he at once entered the sawmill business for the manufacture of hardwood lumber and cooperage stock. In this he has continued, operating now under the name of the Gotshall Manufacturing Company, which today has three large permanent mills and at times as high as ten portable mills. The Toledo plant gives employment to thirty-five people, while two hundred workmen are employed in all the mills. Thus a large and splendid organization has been built up, the work carefully systematized and progressive methods introduced as the result of the indefatigable energy and unabating industry as well as carefully formulated plans of L. D. Gotshall, who is the president of the company. He is likewise the president of the Northwestern Ohio Savings Association, of which he was one of the organizers. He has been a resident of Toledo since 1906 and throughout the intervening years has been classed with the representative business men of the city.

On the 21st of September, 1881, Mr. Gotshall was married to Miss Rose U. Swisher of West Unity, Ohio, and they have two daughters: Blanche L., who is the wife of Alfred Britsch of Toledo; and Georgia G., the wife of Robert R. Blair, also of this city. Mr. Gotshall belongs to the Independent Order of Odd

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Fellows but has not extended his activities far into social circles beyond his personal friendships. He has given his time, thought and energy to his business and through close application has developed an enterprise of substantial proportions, his success being indeed well merited. Mr. Gotshall's residence is at No. 2035 Robinwood avenue.

JOHN HUEBNER

John Huebner, who was long actively associated with the brewing interests of Toledo and through capable management of his business affairs won a very substantial fortune, was born in Brooklyn, New York, September 17, 1854, his parents being Jacob and Fredericka (Fleurer) Huebner. The father was a brewer who owned a large plant at Logansport, Indiana, which eventually he sold and then with his family returned to Germany in 1870. He made still another trip to the United States but finally returned to Germany, where he took up his permanent abode.

John Huebner acquired his early education in the schools of Logansport and of Toledo before accompanying his father to Europe. He spent three years in Germany and then came to his native land in 1873, again settling in Toledo. In the meantime he had learned much concerning the brewing business in Germany and after locating in this city he was employed by the Toledo Brewing & Malting Company, of which Mr. Link was the president and principal stockholder. In 1896 Mr. Huebner, in association with James E. Pilliod, acquired the ownership of the Toledo Brewing & Malting Company, the name of which was then changed to the Huebner Brewing Company, of which John Huebner became the largest stockholder. In 1905 there was brought about a merger of most of the brewing interests of Toledo under the name of the Huebner Toledo Breweries Company and of this Mr. Huebner became secretary and treasurer. He manifested the most progressive spirit at all times in the management and control of his interests and from time to time introduced new and improved methods, resulting in the attainment of higher perfection in the output. For nearly forty years he was actively identified with the brewing business and with general commercial development in Toledo and it was only in the later years of his life that he put aside active business cares to enjoy the success that had come to him through the capable management of his interests.

In Toledo, on the 5th of September, 1878, John Huebner was united in marriage to Catharine Textor and they became the parents of eight sons and three daughters. Those living are: John J., Henry E., Oscar, Arthur, Rudolph, Edwin James, George W., Mrs. Olga Torgler, and Mrs. Elsie Haas. All are residents of Toledo with the exception of Oscar, who resides in Oakland, California.

During the least eighteen months of his life Mr. Huebner was in poor health and in the summer of 1909 sought relief at the springs of Baden, Germany, but remained abroad for only five months. In August, 1909, he returned to his native country but did not enjoy the anticipated gain in health and finally passed away at the age of fifty-six years. It had been close to his heart to preserve the old Maumee courthouse as a memorial, and had he lived he would have purchased it and put it in repair, thus preserving the historic old landmark. He manifested keen interest in the welfare of the city in many ways and his cooperation was many

times sought and freely given to projects for the public good. He died on the 30th of June, 1910, at his home at No. 572 Nebraska avenue, and there were many friends who felt the deepest regret at his passing, for his social qualities had endeared him to all with whom he was associated. He was a member of the Teutonia Maennerchor and also belonged to the German Pioneer Society, while his political allegiance was given to the republican party. With his family he attended the services of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

CARL H. SCHUTTLER

Along two distinct lines Carl H. Schuttler has advanced steadily toward the goal of success. He is an appraisal engineer and also a chartered accountant. In both fields his labors have been most carefully and wisely directed, and in both he has gained a place of prominence. His life story is an interesting one, inasmuch as his career illustrates what can be accomplished through definite purpose and indefatigable energy. Mr. Schuttler was born in Wheeling, West Virginia, May 22, 1887, and is the son of Joseph and Caroline (Wiedebusch) Schuttler, whose family also includes two daughters: Loretta, chief operator for the Bell Telephone Company at Wheeling; and Marie, wife of Dr. E. V. Arbaugh, physician and surgeon at Martins Ferry, Ohio.

The public school training of Carl H. Schuttler was supplemented by a four years' course in the Lehigh University, which he attended from 1912 to 1916, there receiving the degree of Mechanical Engineer. Prior to his college education, however, he had eight years practical experience in the workaday world, for in 1904 he entered the employ of Spears & Riddle as a machinist apprentice and there gained extensive experience in the operation of all of the standard machine tools. While continuing in the employ of that firm he also pursued a course in mechanical engineering by home study under the direction of the International Correspondence School. In 1907 he became identified with the engineering department of the Wheeling Corrugating Company as a draftsman, and in 1909 he was employed by the Wheeling Mold & Foundry Company as a designer of rolling mill machinery. Later he was given charge of the construction and equipment of the open-hearth steel foundry for the Wheeling Mold & Foundry Company, and was next promoted to the capacity of works engineer.

In 1916 he entered the engineering department of the Koppers Company, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, builders of by-product coke and gas plants, as a designer and then as purchasing engineer. Desirous of aiding his country, he did government work as one of the staff of the United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corporation. As assistant district supply manager in the Youngstown district, he controlled the production of marine engines, turbines, deck machinery and all auxiliary mechanical equipment for the shipping board until he entered the Field Artillery Officers' Training School. Being honorably discharged after the signing of the armistice, Mr. Schuttler returned to the United States Shipping Board as senior examiner on cancellations, continuing until August, 1919, when he entered upon his present business in Toledo.

He is senior member of the firm of Carl H. Schuttler & Company who engage in appraisal engineering and to some extent in accounting service. His knowledge of accountancy was gained through study at Lehigh University and practical experi-

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ence in executive positions, and his high standing in this profession is indicated by the fact that he has been awarded the degree of Fellow Chartered Accountant by one of the leading national accountants' organizations. His activities have been broad and at all times he has discharged his duties so skillfully and capably as to win the highest endorsement of the interests he served. His chief work is the appraisal of industrial, commercial and public utility properties. The appraisal of public utility properties is most frequently made for the basis of rate adjustments and general financing, while the appraisal of industrial and commercial properties is most frequently made for insurance adjustment purposes, and as the basis for sale, general financing or cost accounting purposes. In many cases of public utility rate adjustments it is desirable that the appraisal of the property and the audit of the books of account be made under the direction of the same person.

In the various phases and intricacies of the two professions with which he is identified, diverse as they seem to be, he has shown marked skill and efficiency. Step by step he has advanced, doing with thoroughness everything that he has undertaken. Difficult problems and obstacles in his path act only as an impetus for intensive effort. He, too, has had a motto, which says: "Efficiency is the summation of reason, and success is the summation of efficient service."

While in college he became a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, also he is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants. In addition to these professional organizations he is active in various business and social organizations.

EDWARD G. JETTER

The career of Edward G. Jetter affords an excellent illustration of what can be accomplished through determined effort and indefatigable industry, when guided by intelligence and sound judgment. Starting out in life empty-handed, he has worked his way steadily upward, prompted thereto by a laudable ambition, until he is now controlling a large productive industry, being president of the Toledo Mirror Works Company. He was born in Ann Arbor, Michigan, February 21, 1881, a son of John and Fredericka (Wittlinger) Jetter, both of whom were natives of Germany and came to the United States in early life. The father devoted his attention to the cultivation and improvement of a farm. The mother passed away at Ann Arbor in 1907, and the father's demise occurred in that city in 1914.

Edward G. Jetter, the third in order of birth in a family of ten children, was graduated from the high school at Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1901 and afterward came to Toledo, securing a position with the Star Hardware Company at a salary of three dollars per week. He remained with that firm for two and a half years and then entered the employ of the Crystal Mirror Company, later purchasing an interest in the business, which was reorganized on the 1st of December, 1906, at which time the present style of the Toledo Mirror Works Company was adopted. He is now serving as its president and through judicious management and untiring industry has succeeded in establishing the business upon a very substantial basis. In 1914 a modern plant was erected by the company and they now utilize from twenty to thirty people in the operation of their business, which is one of large proportions.

At Ann Arbor, Michigan, on the 10th of June, 1908, Mr. Jetter was married

to Miss Emma Feldkamp, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Feldkamp of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Jetter have two children: Irma, whose birth occurred in 1909; and Edward, born in 1915. They are natives of Toledo and both are attending the public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Jetter attend the Congregational church and he gives his political support to the republican party. He is a Chapter Mason and is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Commerce Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club and the Kiwanis Club. In his vocabulary there is no such word as fail. He has ever recognized the fact that each day and hour has its opportunity and that effort intelligently put forth must ultimately win its reward, and in the fulness of time he has reaped the reward of sound judgment, indefatigable industry and capable management, being recognized as one of the successful business men and progressive citizens of Toledo.

ALFRED JOHNSON

Alfred Johnson, vice president of the Atlas Chemical Company, a two million dollar corporation, is one of Toledo's representative young business men. Coming to this city to make it his future home, he has accomplished that which makes Toledo proud of his achievements and judged by the past his future career will be well worth watching. Mr. Johnson came to Ohio from the west and is imbued with the spirit of undaunted progress and enterprise, which has ever been a dominant factor in the rapid upbuilding of the western territory. He was born in Meeker, Colorado, March 5, 1888, and is a son of P. A. and Christina (Johnson) Johnson, both of whom were of European birth and came to the United States in early life, settling in Colorado, where the father has since developed large interests, both along commercial lines and in connection with cattle raising and he is still very active there. The mother passed away in that state. In their family were two children, one son, Frank Johnson, being still a resident of Meeker, Colorado.

In his boyhood days Alfred Johnson attended the public schools of his native city and afterward became a student in the Colorado Agricultural College, from which he received the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Electrical Engineer at his graduation with the class of 1911. He then secured a position as an apprentice with the Denver Gas & Electric Company at Denver, Colorado, and later was transferred to Warrensburg, Missouri, where he was made chief engineer of the Warrensburg Light, Heat & Power Company. He remained there, however, for only eight months and then went to Sedalia, Missouri, where he accepted the superintendency of the gas and ice department of the Sedalia City Light & Traction Company, remaining at that place for two years. He came to Toledo in 1916 as gas engineer for the Toledo Railway & Light Company and when he had resigned his public utility position on the 1st of April, 1918, he became associated with the Atlas Chemical Company, manufacturers of industrial gas and residual chemicals. Of this corporation he has since been the vice president and the success of the undertaking is attributable in no small measure to his progressive methods and his dynamic power as a factor in the business world. He is also a director and the vice president of the Carbon Chemical Company and of the Anchor Realty Company, both Toledo corporations and he is likewise identified with the Republican Construction Company of this city.

On the 24th of June, 1916, Mr. Johnson was married to Miss Nellie Lee Buford, of Gorin, Missouri, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Buford. They have one son, Richard D., born in Toledo August 25, 1921. Mr. Johnson votes with the republican party, having given to it stalwart allegiance since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He is a Royal Arch Mason and belongs to the Toledo Automobile Club and the Toledo Commerce Club. He is also a member of the American Gas Association and of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He has attained high rank in professional circles, working his way upward not through aid or influence but by individual effort and gaining a notable place of distinction by reason of his highly developed powers and his progressiveness. He is thoroughly wide-awake to every opportunity and alert to every chance that is offered for legitimate advancement in the business field and few young men of his years in Toledo have equalled him in the measure of their achievements.

JAMES GILBERT WOODWARD

James Gilbert Woodward, concentrating his attention upon the study of the business with which he is identified, has become thoroughly familiar with every phase of the trade and has been largely instrumental in winning the liberal patronage now enjoyed by the Brown, Eager & Hull Company, wholesale stationers and dealers in toys. His official connection with this house is that of vice president and sales manager and as an executive he is largely instrumental in shaping the policy and directing the destiny of the business. Mr. Woodward has always been a resident of Ohio, his birth having occurred in Bryan, this state, on the 14th of November, 1873, his parents being Alexander and Ella F. (Latimore) Woodward.

No special advantages came to James G. Woodward in his youthful days. He attended the country schools near Bryan, there mastering the elementary branches of learning and later he had the opportunity to continue his education in the public schools of Toledo, but on reaching the age of fourteen he was forced to put aside his textbooks and provide for his own support. His initial position in the business world was that of office boy and from that low round on the ladder he has climbed steadily to success. For a time he was shipping clerk in a woodenware house and later was sent out upon the road as a traveling salesman. Each change of position brought him a different line of duties and widened his knowledge and experience concerning commercial methods so that he was continually broadening the foundation upon which to build his success after starting in business on his own account. It was in 1910 that he purchased an interest in the Brown, Eager & Hull Company, wholesale dealers in stationery and toys. This house controls a large trade and Mr. Woodward has contributed in notable measure to the steady growth of the business through his activities as vice president and sales manager. The ramifying trade relations of the house cover a wide territory and the firm name is synonymous with reliability, enterprise and progressiveness.

On the 6th of July, 1910, Mr. Woodward was married to Miss Anna F. Maroney of Olean, New York, and they have one son, James Daniel, whose birth occurred February 5, 1917. Mr. Woodward belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, being in hearty sympathy with the work of that organization to upbuild the city, to extend its business connections and to maintain all those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. He has membership in the Masonic

fraternity, having attained the Knights Templar degree in Toledo Commandery, No. 7, and he also belongs to the Illinois Commercial Men's Association and to the Crescent Club. He early displayed the elemental strength of his character and with the passing years has developed his powers until he is today one of the forceful and resourceful merchants of Toledo, while at the same time his interests have expanded in relation to public duties and public service. His aid and cooperation are never withheld from projects for the general good and his endorsement of a measure constitutes a factor which wins for it a considerable following.

WILLIAM NICHOLS TRACY

Following his removal from the east to Toledo William Nichols Tracy largely devoted his attention to real estate activity, handling his own property, and in the course of years gained a very substantial measure of success because of his wise and judicious investments. Thus it was that he was able to leave his family in very comfortable financial circumstances when he passed away in 1909. He was at that time sixty-three years of age, his birth having occurred near Rochester, New York, on the 11th of May, 1846, his parents being Doria and Almira (Nichols) Tracy. The father was for thirty-six years one of the leading citizens of Toledo, where he was prominently connected with business interests and won a well deserved success. He was born in Richmond, Berkshire county, Massachusetts, May 18, 1808, and spent his boyhood on a farm in New England, gleaning his education from the public schools and at a local academy. When eighteen years of age he was apprenticed to the spinner's and weaver's trade, which he followed for about five years and then turned his attention to mercantile interests in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. But after a time he disposed of his business affairs there and removed to the state of New York, where he engaged in farming and manufacturing between the years of 1844 and 1850. He then established his residence in Allegany county, New York, where he built a sawmill and afterward concentrated his attention upon the lumber business until 1867. In that year he removed westward, taking up his abode in Toledo, where he was extensively engaged in caring for and promoting his various business interests. In this general line of endeavor he achieved a large measure of success and for thirty-six years was one of Toledo's foremost citizens and leading men of affairs. He came into possession of many valuable properties, including the Aldine Hotel, also the business blocks occupied by J. Melvin & Company and S. H. Knox & Company, together with one of the buildings occupied by the Lamson Brothers. Mr. Tracy, Sr., was twice married. In 1832 he wedded Lucretia Hatch, who died in 1836. He afterward married Almira Nichols, who passed away in 1869.

Their son, William Nichols Tracy, was born after the removal of his parents from New England to New York. He acquired a good education in the public schools and when twenty-one years of age came to Toledo. He went to live on the fruit farm at Eaglepoint but after a time returned to the city and with his father acquired much property, investing largely in real estate and giving personal supervision and attention to the management of his holdings. He owned many houses in different parts of the city and from his realty possessions derived a gratifying annual income.

At the age of twenty-one years Mr. Tracy married Sarah Foster, who became

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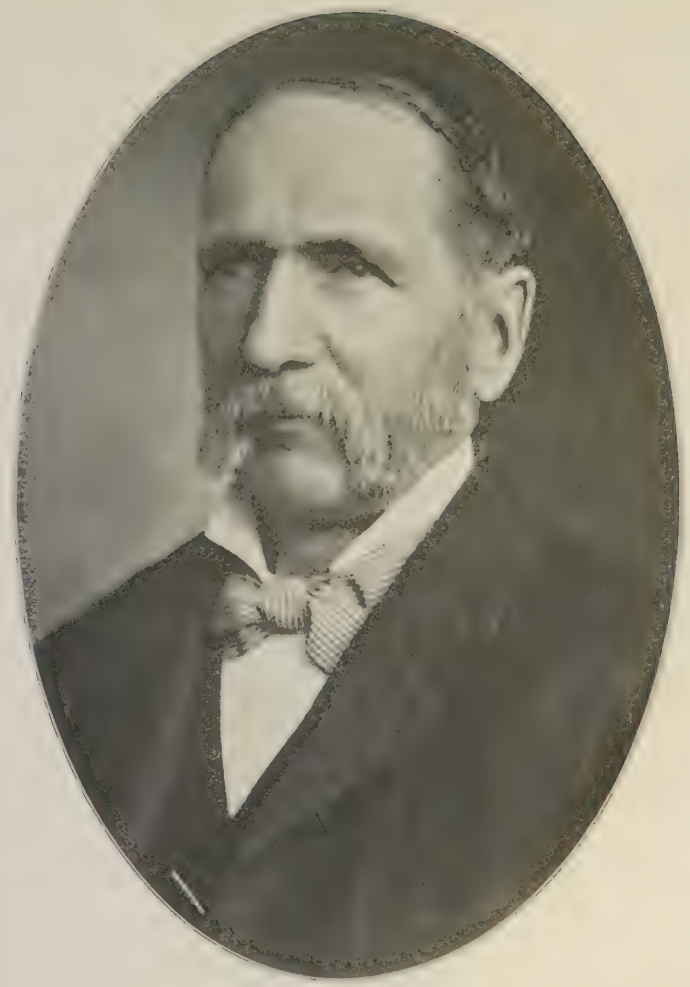

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the mother of three children and who died in 1897. The children of this marriage are: Clarence A., of Toledo; W. Ernest, of Millbury, Ohio; and Doria, of Auburn, Indiana. On June 20, 1898, Mr. Tracy wedded Stella I. Bowers, a daughter of Isaac and Jane (Camp) Bowers of Perrysburg, Ohio, and to this marriage two children were born: Ruth J., who died in infancy; and Robert William, who was the gold medal scholar among the boys of the class of 1920, Scott high school, and is now a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Boston, Massachusetts, pursuing a special course in physics. He is expert in the handicraft of cabinet work and while a student in manual training at Scott high school he constructed a number of pieces of fine furniture, specimens of which are used as examples and models of the finest work of the kind turned out by that department of the high school. The family are members of the Congregational church and Mrs. Tracy occupies an attractive home at No. 1023 Lincoln avenue. Mr. Tracy was a republican in his political views, always loyally supporting the party because of his belief in its principles. He died on August 26, 1909, being then sixty-three years of age. For more than forty years he had been a resident of Toledo and was widely known and highly esteemed throughout the city, his circle of friends being almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintances.

ELMER E. DAVIS

It is a commonly accepted opinion that the man who is a success in the professions does not possess those qualities which make for advancement in commercial or industrial lines, but the record of Elmer E. Davis stands as a refutation of this belief, because he is both an able and prominent attorney and a well known figure in mercantile and other lines, wherein he displays keen sagacity and sound judgment. Moreover, he displayed the elemental strength of his character by earning the money that enabled him to pursue his law course, after which he became a student in the University of Michigan and there qualified for the bar. He is a native son of Perry county, Ohio, born October 31, 1865, his parents being Robert and Alcinda (Thorpe) Davis. The father was a native of Pennsylvania but was brought to Ohio by his parents when only two years of age. The mother was born in the Empire state and came to Ohio at the age of three years. After reaching manhood and womanhood they were married in Perry county, Ohio, where they resided until October, 1888, when a removal was made to a farm four miles south of Newark, in Licking county. There Mr. Davis engaged in farming, carefully cultivating his fields to the time of his death and winning a substantial measure of prosperity by the thorough and competent manner in which he carried on his agricultural interests. He passed away in 1920, his death being deeply regretted not only by his immediate family but by many friends. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davis: Alonzo, who died in 1916; Elmer E.; Orlando, who is now engaged in farming on the old homestead; Emma, also residing on the old home place; Harley, living in Fort Wayne, Indiana; and Edwin T., who now lives in Newark, Ohio.

In his boyhood days Elmer E. Davis was a pupil in the district schools near his father's farm and later he attended the New Straitsville high school, from which he was graduated. Feeling the necessity of entering upon a gainful occupation at that time, he at once secured work and was employed in various ways until

he had saved from his earnings a sufficient sum of money to meet his expenses as a law student. He then matriculated in the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated in June, 1891, and in the fall of that year he came to Toledo. Here he entered upon active practice and through the intervening years has followed his profession, enjoying a large clientage as he has demonstrated his ability to cope with intricate and involved legal problems. He enjoys the respect and confidence of his fellow members in the Toledo Bar Association and in the Ohio State Bar Association and there are many who speak most commendably of his methods in the court and his close conformity to the highest ethical standards of the profession. In business, too, he is well known, being director and secretary of the Secor Hotel Company and vice president and one of the directors of the C. A. Mauk Lumber Company. He is also associated with other substantial business enterprises of the city, of which he has been the organizer or promoter, and his judgment is regarded as sound in relation to business opportunities and advantages.

On the 6th of September, 1904, Mr. Davis was married to Miss Grace L. Richards of Toledo, daughter of Harry G. Richards, and they have many friends in this city, the hospitality of the best homes being freely accorded them. Mr. Davis gives his political allegiance to the republican party and he served as a member of the common council of Toledo in 1893. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity, in which he has attained high rank, as is indicated in the fact that he is now a thirty-second degree Mason and Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Toledo Commerce Club and to the Northwestern Ohio Historical Society. His interests are broad and varied, touching those activities which are forces in progressive society—those forces which tend to advance the material, intellectual, social and moral progress of community and commonwealth. His residence is at No. 2425 Scottwood avenue.

WILLIAM SHERMAN ARBOGAST

There is perhaps no record in this volume which is more truly that of a self-made man than the life history of William Sherman Arbogast, who, actuated by a laudable ambition and manifesting at all times determination, energy and enterprise has worked his way steadily upward through individual merit and ability until he is now at the head of a most substantial business, conducted under the name of the Arbogast Tire & Supply Company, of which he is the president. A native of Akron, Ohio, he was born May 24, 1887, his parents being Suvarrow S. and Martha C. (Pressler) Arbogast. He attended the public schools and in his boyhood entered the employ of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, working his way steadily upward during the eight years of his connection with that corporation until he became familiar with each phase of the business to the finished product of rubber goods. In 1910 he engaged in the auto tire business at Dayton, Ohio, there remaining until 1913, when his establishment was wiped out by the flood. He started with a capital of but five dollars and had built up a big business when the flood came and he lost all, leaving him in debt. Through the assistance of friends, however, he started again, paid off all indebtedness and reestablished his business upon a profitable basis but afterward sold out on account of a nervous breakdown. After a period of rest and recuperation he came to Toledo,

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in the spring of 1914, bringing with him a capital of less than three thousand dollars. Here he opened a store twenty by fifty feet for the sale of automobile tires and accessories and today he occupies a five-story building sixty by one hundred and twenty feet and has a branch store twenty-two by eighty feet. He does tire repairing and vulcanizing, while the second floor of the building is used for washing and storage, the third floor for general repair work of all classes and the fourth and fifth floors for storage. In 1915 the business was incorporated under the name of the Arbogast Tire & Supply Company, of which he is the president and directing head. Under his guidance the business has steadily developed, so that in nine years it has grown from a business of twenty thousand dollars annually to over a half million. The work in his establishment is all of the best class and the company maintains a splendid reputation for the excellence of its service and the reliability of its business methods.

On the 29th of November, 1909, at Akron, Ohio, Mr. Arbogast was married to Miss Crystal Lichtenwalter. He has reared and educated two of his sister's children, Harold and Glenn McCoy. Fraternally Mr. Arbogast is a thirty-second degree Mason and Mystic Shriner and is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Loyal Order of Moose. He likewise has membership in the Toledo Automobile Club and the Kiwanis Club and in the Chamber of Commerce, while the further nature of his interests is indicated in his connection with the Toledo Museum of Art. He cooperates in all those forces which make for higher ideals in citizenship and for the advancement of civic and personal standards and he is today one of the valued and respected business men and residents of his adopted city.

RALPH REMICK COMSTOCK

Ralph Remick Comstock, who is at the head of the Ralph R. Comstock Agency, conducting an insurance business as general agent for the Ohio National Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, was born in Sylvania, Ohio, November 24, 1887, his parents being Clark Nelson and Sarah Ann (Litten) Comstock. The father was a farmer, following that occupation in the vicinity of Sylvania for a number of years, but is now living retired at the age of seventy-five, enjoying in well earned rest the fruits of his former toil.

Ralph R. Comstock obtained a public school education in his native city, mastering the work in successive grades and in the high school. In early manhood he became a professional baseball pitcher and at different periods has been associated with the Boston and Detroit teams of the American League and also with the Pittsburgh team of the Federal League.

In October, 1918, Mr. Comstock entered the life insurance field as representative of the Missouri State Life Insurance Company, with which he remained until April, 1921, when he became connected with the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York as special agent at Toledo. He is thoroughly systematizing and developing the business and is proving a strong and forceful representative of insurance interests in this section of the state.

On the 2d of October, 1913, Mr. Comstock was married to Miss Florence Irene La France of Duluth, Minnesota, and they have one child, Gene Florence. Mr. Comstock finds his recreation in billiards and golf and he has fraternal connection

with the Masonic order, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and has become a member of the Mystic Shrine. He is loyal to the teachings and purposes of the craft, closely following its tenets, and he has gained many friends during the period of his residence in Toledo.

HAROLD ALONZO KING

Harold Alonzo King, assistant secretary of the Toledo Mortgage Company, which was organized in 1920, is well known in real estate circles, where his activities, prompted by a most progressive spirit, have produced substantial results. Mr. King was born in Toledo, January 2, 1887, and is a son of Albert Horatio and Sarah M. (Brailey) King. He obtained a public school education, mastering the work of successive grades and also at the Central high school, and then initiated his business career by securing the position of cashier in the freight department of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad. He occupied that position for a number of years and was then made purchasing agent and assistant secretary of the Home Phone Company, with which corporation he continued for a period of five years. In February, 1915, he entered the insurance department of the Reuben Realty Company, of which he is now treasurer. He was also made assistant secretary of the Toledo Mortgage Company and he is interested in several of the subsidiary Reuben companies. His business interests are thus extensive and important and have brought him prominently to the front in realty and insurance circles.

Mr. King was married April 2, 1910, to Miss Mabel A. Sullivan, a native of Toledo, and they have become parents of two children, James Harold and Robert Alonzo. Mr. King is a loyal follower of Masonic teachings, having taken the degrees of lodge, chapter and commandery and also is a member of the Mystic Shrine. He likewise belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and to the Maumee River Yacht Club and the Chamber of Commerce. His interests are broad and varied and his progressive spirit is a dominant factor in the attainment of his purposes. To this he adds sound judgment, as manifest in every relation of life, and his fellow townsmen accord him place as a representative business man here, extending to him their confidence, goodwill and respect by reason of what he has achieved and the straightforward methods he has ever followed.

WILBUR H. BUNKER

Wilbur H. Bunker, treasurer of the Mather Spring Company, is a native son of Toledo who is filling an important position in one of the city's leading industrial organizations. He was born August 3, 1886, a son of Henry S. and Mary Caroline (Walbridge) Bunker. The father was an honored veteran of the Civil war and later served for some time as a colonel of the Ohio National Guard. He was a lawyer by profession and for many years successfully engaged in practice in Toledo, where he passed away in 1900. The mother is still a resident of this city. In their family were two children, Cora H. and Wilbur H., both of Toledo.

Completing his education at the Central high school of this city, Wilbur H. Bunker started out in the world on his own account and was variously employed

until 1915, when he became connected with the Mather Spring Company, with which he has since been identified. In the path of an orderly progression, he steadily advanced until he was at length made treasurer of the company, which is one of the largest manufacturers of automobile springs in the country.

In Toledo, on the 24th of July, 1913, Mr. Bunker was united in marriage to Miss Charlotte B. Stager, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stager, prominent residents of this city. Mr. Bunker is a member of Trinity Episcopal church and his political views are in accord with the tenets of the Republican party. He is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and has always stood for progress and improvement in municipal affairs. He deserves much credit for what he has accomplished, for his present connection is the direct outcome of his persistency of purpose and close application. He is a young man of strict integrity and moral worth, as indicated by the high esteem in which he is held by those among whom his life has been passed. Mr. Bunker's residence is at No. 408 Islington street.

WILLIAM J. FRITSCHE

The bar of Toledo finds a leading representative in William J. Fritsche, whose devotion to his clients' interests, combined with his comprehensive knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence, have made him an able lawyer, effective in the work of the courts. He was born in Ottawa county, Ohio, May 5, 1877, and his parents were Christian F. and Dorothy (Langschwager) Fritsche, both of whom were of European birth and came to the United States at an early period in their lives. Coming to Ohio, they located near Lacarne, in Ottawa county, where the father devoted his remaining years to the occupation of farming, becoming the owner of a well improved and valuable property, and both Mr. and Mrs. Fritsche are now deceased. In their family were ten children, five of whom survive, namely: Charles H., whose home is at Lacarne, Ohio; Robert J., a resident of Oakharbor, this state; Edward J., who is living at Lacarne; Mrs. Amelia Michel, also a resident of Oakharbor; and William J.

After completing his public school course Mr. Fritsche spent one term as a student at Valparaiso University of Indiana and then entered Columbian (now the George Washington) University of Washington, D. C., from which he was graduated on the 31st of May, 1904, with the LL. B. degree. Coming to Toledo, Mr. Fritsche has since successfully engaged in the practice of law in this city, first as a member of the firm of Fritsche & Kruse, which was continued as such for a year; at the end of that time the present style of Fritsche, Kruse & Winchester was adopted. They conduct a general law business and have gained high standing in legal circles of the city, the list of their clients being now an extensive one. Mr. Fritsche is most thorough in the preparation of his cases and in trial he is ready and resourceful, while his logic carries conviction to the minds of court and jury.

On the 25th of September, 1906, Mr. Fritsche married Miss Luella W. Albrecht, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Albrecht, well known residents of this city, and they have become the parents of three children: Luella, whose birth occurred August 10, 1908, and who is now attending the public schools; William J., Jr., who was born February 3, 1914, and is a public school pupil; and Barbara D., born February 17, 1921.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritsche are members of St. Mathew's Lutheran church and in politics he maintains an independent attitude, considering the qualifications of a candidate of greater importance than party ties. He is a member of the Toledo Automobile Club and his professional connections are with the Lucas County Bar Association and the Commercial Law League of America. He possesses an analytical, well trained mind and is an earnest and conscientious student and an indefatigable worker. He is fully alive to the important duties of his profession and is deserving of the high esteem in which he is held by his fellowmen.

FRANK WILLIAM DUFFECK

Frank William Duffeck, who occupies a foremost position in engineering circles of Toledo, is head of the Electric Power Maintenance Company and is also prominently connected with other large business enterprises, all of which are contributing materially to the industrial activity of the city. He was born in Sandusky, Ohio, May 2, 1883, and his parents, Gustave and Mina (Fischer) Duffeck, were of European birth. In early life they came to the United States, settling in Sandusky, Ohio, where the father later engaged in operating a brewery. He passed away in that city in January, 1914, when fifty-four years of age. The mother is now a resident of Toledo. Three children were born to their union: Henry, Mrs. Alma Halm, and Frank W., all of Toledo.

In the acquirement of an education Frank William Duffeck attended the grammar and high schools of Sandusky, Ohio, and afterward completed a course in electrical engineering, to which he has since devoted his attention. His professional training was obtained with the Warren Electric Manufacturing Company of Sandusky and as their representative he installed electric power plants for firms in various localities, gaining an expert knowledge of the work. In the interests of that company he came to Toledo and after completing the task assigned him Mr. Duffeck decided to establish himself in business in this city, being favorably impressed with conditions here, and subsequent years have proven his choice to be a wise one. In 1910 he entered into copartnership with A. E. Buchenberg in the Electric Power Maintenance Company, which enterprise was a success from the start. In 1915 Mr. Duffeck purchased his partner's interest and has since been sole owner of the business, which has become one of the largest individual concerns of this character to be found either in this country or in Canada. Mr. Duffeck's practical experience and clear insight have enabled him to find ready and correct solution for all intricate and difficult professional problems. The company rebuilds, repairs and installs all types of electric power plants, employing seventy-five workmen in the operation of the business, which has developed so rapidly that it has been found necessary to establish a branch plant at Columbus, Ohio, their services now being in constant demand in all parts of the country. Mr. Duffeck has also extended his efforts in other directions, being treasurer and a director of the Auto Electric Service Association and vice president and secretary of the Hullhorst Micro Tool Company of Toledo.

Mr. Duffeck has been married twice. On the 9th of September, 1907, he wedded Miss Norma Leser, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob F. Leser of Sandusky, Ohio, well known residents of that city. The wife and mother passed away in Toledo, July 18, 1914, leaving an infant son, Frank G., whose birth

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occurred May 16, 1914, and who is now attending the public schools. At Monroe, Michigan, on the 1st of March, 1915, Mr. Duffeck was united in marriage to Miss Maybelle Mutchler, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Mutchler of this city, and they have a son, Donald William, who was born on January 28, 1916, and is also a public school pupil.

In his political views Mr. Duffeck is independent, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and is also identified with the Toledo Auto Club, the Toledo Commerce Club and the Merchants and Manufacturers Association. During the World war Mr. Duffeck maintained a vocational school in this city for those who were called into service and in matters of citizenship he has ever been loyal, progressive and public-spirited. He has made continuous progress in his profession, working his way steadily upward through industry and ability, and his work represents the highest degree of efficiency in the line in which he specializes. His well developed powers have placed him at the head of important and extensive interests and Toledo numbers him among her foremost business men. His home is at No. 1022 West Woodruff avenue.

THOMAS H. BROWN, M. D.

Dr. Thomas H. Brown, one of the able young physicians of Toledo, possesses those qualities through which success comes as a natural sequence and his professional activities have been attended by excellent results. He was born on his father's plantation at Gallatin, Tennessee, July 2, 1890, and his parents, Thomas Hartwell and Annie (Hunt) Brown, were also natives of that state, both being members of prominent southern families. In Tennessee they were reared, educated and married and the father became the owner of a large plantation at Gallatin, a small town near Nashville. There he passed away in February, 1907. The mother is now a resident of Birmingham, Alabama. In their family were four children: Alfred Douglass, whose home is in Nashville, Tennessee; Charles Hunt of Birmingham, Alabama; Barton Benson, municipal judge of Nashville; and Thomas H.

In the acquirement of an education Thomas H. Brown attended the country schools of Sumner county, Tennessee, and the Hawkins Preparatory School at Gallatin, afterward entering Vanderbilt University at Nashville, from which he was graduated in 1915, with the M. D. degree. While in Vanderbilt University he was a member of the football team for four years, making four "Letters"; he was also rated as "All Southern tackle" on a mythical team and won four "Letters" in basketball. Coming to Toledo, he obtained valuable professional experience as an interne at St. Vincent's Hospital, with which he was connected from June 15, 1915, until February 17, 1917. He then engaged in practice in this city until November, 1917, when he enlisted for service in the World war, joining the Medical Corps. He was commissioned a first lieutenant and was sent overseas, being stationed for ten months at Evacuation Hospital No. 13. He was honorably discharged in June, 1919, and returned to Toledo, being now associated with Drs. C. M. Harpster and H. A. Delcher, well known physicians of this city, and their professional services are in constant demand. Dr. Brown is deeply interested in the scientific and humanitarian phases of his profession and through close study of the cases which come under his care is continually broadening his knowledge and pro-

moting his skill. He is a member of the medical staff employed by the Community Traction Company and is also connected with the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital of this city.

On the 25th of December, 1917, Dr. Brown was married to Miss Catherine Park Acklen at Nashville, Tennessee. She is a daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Joseph H. Acklen, who were numbered among the pioneer families of Louisiana, and her father was a United States congressman from that state. Dr. and Mrs. Brown have become the parents of two children: Catherine Acklen, who was born May 22, 1920; and Thomas Hartwell, Jr., born August 22, 1921. Mrs. Brown was graduated in medicine from the University of Michigan in 1919, and she also completed a course in science at Vanderbilt University previously, but has never engaged in practice.

Dr. Brown is identified with the Masonic fraternity, being a member of the lodge at Anniston, Alabama, and he is also a member of the American Legion and the Toledo Automobile Club, while his professional connections are with the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical associations. He subordinates all other interests to the demands of his profession and innate talent, acquired ability, industry and ambition are carrying him steadily forward in his chosen vocation.

JOHN F. DAVIS

To the loyalty, public spirit and enterprise of its native sons Toledo is indebted in large measure for the commercial prestige which the city now enjoys and in this connection John F. Davis is well deserving of mention, for he has recognized and utilized the opportunities here presented for advancement and is now concentrating his energies upon the automobile business, in which he has attained a gratifying degree of success. He was born in this city June 30, 1884, a son of Owen T. and Florence E. (Springer) Davis. The father, whose birth occurred at Weston, Oneida county, New York, on the 22d of January, 1840, was a son of Thomas and Elizabeth Davis, natives of Wales, who emigrated from that country to the new world. Owen T. Davis acquired his early education in the public schools of his native town and subsequently pursued an academic course in a college at Utica, New York. His first experience in the business world was gained as clerk in a retail dry goods store of Utica, but in 1866 he came to Toledo to join a brother who here conducted a retail establishment handling ladies' furnishings and trimmings. Later they embarked in business in a small way as wholesale dealers in dry goods and notions. When his older brother passed away Owen T. Davis was joined by his younger brother, John B., and they successfully carried on their interests under the style of Davis Brothers, with Owen T. Davis as president of the firm. Their first location was at No. 151 (now No. 351) Summit street, but the growth of the business was such that larger quarters were soon necessary and a removal was made to No. 107 (now No. 207) Summit street, while later they moved across the street to Nos. 204 and 206. They next occupied the building at the corner of Jackson avenue and Summit street, there remaining until the structure was sold, at which time they moved their stock of goods into the Hall block on St. Clair street, opposite the old post office. Owen T. Davis was called to his final rest on the 2d of March, 1902, when sixty-two years of age, after a residence covering more than a third of a century in Toledo. He had long been numbered among the prosperous and leading

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merchants of the city and in social circles had won many warm friends who greatly mourned his loss. His political allegiance was given to the democratic party, while his religious faith was indicated by his membership in the Trinity Episcopal church. Though his interests largely centered in his business and his home, he took an active and helpful part in all matters pertaining to the growth and development of Toledo and was, moreover, a man of benevolent and philanthropic spirit who withheld his aid from no worthy charity. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Florence E. Springer and was a native of the state of New York, still makes her home in this city and is most widely and favorably known. By her marriage she became the mother of three children: Carl Warren, who is deceased; Florence Edith; and John Frank, of this review.

The last named attended the grammar schools and the Central high school of Toledo and also for one year, in 1904, attended the University of Michigan. After completing his education he became associated with his father and uncle in the dry goods business, with which he was connected for eleven years, being made secretary of the company. He then decided to establish himself in business independently and on the 12th of November, 1915, organized the Davis Motor Sales Company, of which he has since been the president. He has the agency for the Buick car in this district and his aggressive methods and straightforward dealing have resulted in the development of a large trade.

On the 12th of November, 1916, Mr. Davis was married to Miss Florence Hodge, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hodge, prominent residents of this city. Two children have been born of this union: Mary Grace, whose birth occurred in 1918; and John Owen, born in 1921. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are members of Trinity Episcopal church of Toledo and in politics he maintains an independent attitude, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations. He is an earnest and helpful member of the Chamber of Commerce and he is also connected with the Toledo Country Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Toledo Club. He is a prominent Mason, having taken the Knights Templar degree in the York Rite and the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite Consistory. He is an alert, energetic and capable young business man and has gained recognition as one of the most progressive and successful automobile dealers of Toledo, keeping well informed regarding all new developments in the field in which he is specializing. He enjoys an extensive and favorable acquaintance in the city in which his life has been spent and his public spirit finds expression in effective efforts in its behalf.

HARRY EDWIN ADAMS

Harry Edwin Adams has won a place among the business leaders of Toledo, being now vice president and treasurer of the W. G. Nagel Electrical Manufacturing Company, one of the large industrial concerns which are so essential to the very existence of community and country. He was born in Columbus, Ohio, April 8, 1868, and is a son of Alexander Hamilton and Estelle (Connelly) Adams, the former now deceased. The son obtained a public school education in his native city and then entered business circles along electrical lines. He came to Toledo and entered the employ of the W. G. Nagel Electrical Manufacturing Company in 1901, and he is now vice president and treasurer of the company, having at the same time charge of the entire manufacturing interests of the business, which em-

ploys five hundred people. He is also the secretary of the Fostoria Machine & Tool Company at Fostoria, Ohio.

On the 5th of September, 1895, Mr. Adams was married in Cleveland, Ohio, to Miss Minnie Clark and they are parents of a son, Clark Myron, who was born June 16, 1896, and is now associated with his father in the Nagel Company. He married Dorothy Lucas in 1918 and they have a son and a daughter: Harry Loyal, born May 25, 1920; and Nancy, who was born October 25, 1922. Clark M. Adams is a veteran of the World war, having served with the rank of first lieutenant of infantry in the Three Hundred and Thirty-second Regiment. He was on duty in France for eighteen months in the office of the provost marshal in Paris and was discharged in 1919.

Fraternally Mr. Adams is a Mason, belonging to the consistory, Knights Templars, and to the Mystic Shrine, and he also has membership in the Toledo and Inverness clubs. His residence is at No. 2535 Scottwood avenue.

THE WOOLSON SPICE COMPANY

This company was organized in 1882 by Mr. Alvin M. Woolson, who associated with him in the enterprise some few others, chiefly the wholesale grocers of Toledo, among them being: Messrs. John Berdan, James Secor, George Emerson, Pliny Watson and John Ketcham.

The company has had an uncommonly interesting history. The original cash capital contributed was but $30,000. It came into being primarily to sell coffee in the roast state when the Arbuckle interests in Pittsburgh, with a very large output, were the principal dispensers of such coffee. The aggressiveness of the Arbuckles made competition unusually keen; therefore, the success of the Woolson Company from its inception is all the more creditable. Under Mr. Woolson's able and conservative management, the company prospered and built up a very large business. He was ably assisted in later years by Mr. William A. Brigham, who became vice president of the company. For quite a number of years the earnings were kept in the business, but the capital thus accumulated became more than ample for the large business of the company, and extraordinarily liberal dividends were paid to the shareholders.

The Woolson Company was one of the first companies in the United States whose stock of $100 par value was in demand at $1,000 per share. The Arbuckles, having extended their interests to include the refining and sale of sugar, offered the American Sugar Refining Company very strong competition, and Mr. H. O. Havemeyer, then the dominating spirit of the American Company, looked about for a weapon with which to fight the Arbuckles in their coffee business as retaliation for the Arbuckles's entry into the refining of sugar. The Woolson Company, having built up a large volume of business, attracted the attention of Mr. Havemeyer, and in 1896 he bought all the stock of the company except a few shares, paying for it better than $1,000 per share. The few shares which he was unable to purchase were sold at even a higher price to the Arbuckles, and the result of these conflicting interests was an interesting legal fight between the Arbuckles and Havemeyer, carried along for some time, the Arbuckles finally winning their case. In the meantime, Mr. Havemeyer had used the Woolson Company so aggressively to war against the Arbuckles that profits were eliminated, and the common belief is that heavy

losses were sustained. The American Sugar Refining Company, however, with its great capitalization and as the owner of the stock of the Woolson Company, was quite able to stand the losses.

The purpose of the ownership of the Woolson by the American Company having been accomplished, the American Company sold the Woolson Company in 1909 to Mr. Herman Sielcken, one of the coffee kings of the country, resident in New York city, who undertook the operating of the company along better business lines than the American Company had pursued, and to make money. He placed the business under the local management of Mr. W. A. Brigham as vice president, and Mr. John W. Koehrman as superintendent of the plant, and while the company was operated not wholly independent of Mr. Sielcken's other extended interests, its business became increasingly profitable and it came in a measure to repeat its earlier success.

At Mr. Sielcken's death in 1918 in Germany, where he had been residing during the years of the Great war, all his American interests were in the hands of the Alien Property Custodian for the United States. Mr. Sielcken's death presented an occasion to restore the company to Toledo ownership and Mr. Brigham and Mr. Koehrman, still employed by Mr. Sielcken, enlisted the services of Mr. Marion M. Miller, president of The Home Savings Bank, through whose influence Mr. Robert A. Stranahan and his brother, Frank D. Stranahan, became interested and made possible the purchase, by these five men, at public sale in New York city, of the Sielcken interest in the Woolson Company. These five men constitute the active management of the business at this time, and under their direction the company is again one of the very successful enterprises of the city. It is capitalized, including undistributed earnings, at approximately $2,000,000 and there are very liberal distributions annually in cash dividends.

JOHN B. NORDHOLT

John B. Nordholt, a mechanical engineer of marked ability and a successful business man, has steadily progressed since entering upon his professional career and is now the vice president of the Toledo Steel Castings Company and president of the American Swiss Magneto Company. He was born in Hamilton, Ohio, February 13, 1881, of the marriage of Herman and Mary Nordholt, both of whom were of European birth and came to the United States in early life. The father was a stone mason and contractor and always followed that line of activity. His demise occurred at Hamilton, Ohio, February 14, 1921. The mother passed away on January 1, 1923, in that city. They were the parents of four children: John B., Gesina, Henry and William.

The grammar and high schools of his native town afforded John B. Nordholt his early educational opportunities and later he became a student at the Ohio State University, from which he was graduated in 1908, on the completion of a course in mechanical engineering. His initial experience along professional lines was obtained with the Dayton Steel & Foundry Company, with which he was identified for four years. He then came to this city and entered the service of the Toledo Steel Castings Company, being connected with the production department until he was made vice president and manager, and is now filling those offices. They utilize about one hundred and twenty-five employes in the operation of their plant and Mr.

Nordholt is working earnestly to broaden the scope of the undertaking, which has greatly benefited by his well directed labors. He has also extended his efforts in other directions and is president and a director of the American Swiss Magneto Company, which has likewise profited by his management and direction. He has the poise, self-confidence and executive force necessary for the successful conduct of extensive interests and his labors have been beneficially resultant.

On the 8th of October, 1913, Mr. Nordholt was united in marriage to Miss Clara L. E. Van Loo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Van Loo, prominent residents of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Nordholt have three children: Ann Elizabeth, whose birth occurred in 1914; John B., Jr., who was born in August, 1917; and James Shelby, born in January, 1919.

Mr. Nordholt is a member of the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church and fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. During 1921 and 1922 he served as president of the Rotary Club of Toledo and on retiring from office was presented with a handsome testimonial of their esteem by the members of the organization. His deep interest in the welfare and progress of his city is indicated by his connection with the Chamber of Commerce and he is also affiliated with the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club and the Young Men's Christian Association. During the World war Mr. Nordholt was active in government service, furnishing steel castings for the army and navy. His keen insight has enabled him to grasp situations and mold opportunities into tangible assets and his efforts are resultant factors in whatever he undertakes. He occupies a position of importance in business circles of Toledo and his course has at all times marked him as a citizen of worth. Mr. Nordholt's residence is at No. 2535 Parkwood avenue.

GEORGE CURTIS URSCHEL

George Curtis Urschel, of the Woodville Lime Products Company of Toledo, is thus identified with one of the important commercial interests of the city. A native of Bowling Green, Ohio, he is a son of John Jacob and Margaret Urschel. While spending his youthful days under the parental roof he attended the public schools of Toledo, the family having removed to this city during his early childhood. He passed through consecutive grades to the high school and later he enjoyed and profited from a college course which he pursued in the University of Michigan and the University of Syracuse. When his college days were over he became connected with the lime industry and has made steady advancement in this field of commerce, being now associated with the Woodville Lime Products Company in an official capacity, having been chosen vice president in 1918. The only interruption to his continued activity in business came with his response to the country's call for troops in the World war. He was graduated from the Field Artillery Officers' Training School and commissioned a second lieutenant.

At Detroit, Michigan, on the 19th of October, 1918, Mr. Urschel was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth S. Schenck, a daughter of Lieutenant William Schenck. Lieutenant William Schenck was killed in action, while leading his company in the campaign against Aguinaldo in the Philippine islands. Mr. and Mrs. Urschel have an interesting little son, George Curtis Urschel, Jr., born September 23, 1920, in Toledo. The religious faith of Mr. and Mrs. Urschel is that of the Episcopal

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church, their membership being in St. Mark's. Mr. Urschel is a member of the Sylvania Golf Club, Carranor Hunt and Polo Club, Beta Theta Pi and Lambda Chapter of the University of Michigan. He is concentrating his efforts and attention upon his business affairs, and this thoroughness and persistency of purpose have been strong and decisive elements in his steady advancement. Mr. Urschel's residence is at No. 1312 Thatcher drive.

R. W. THORNBURGH, M. D.

Dr. R. W. Thornburgh, one of Toledo's able and successful physicians, has had broad experience along professional lines, and for twenty-three years he has engaged in practice in this city. He was born in Henry county, Ohio, September 26, 1858, a son of Wesley and Eliza Jane (Choate) Thornburgh, the former a native of Maine and the latter of Maryland, and both were reared in Tiffin, Ohio. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Thornburgh removed to a farm near Napoleon, Ohio, and the father became one of the well known agriculturists of that section of the state. He defended the Union cause in the Civil war, joining an Ohio regiment, and was under command of Captain Pray of Toledo. While in the service he contracted pneumonia and his death occurred in the south in 1863, while the mother passed away in the late '60s.

R. W. Thornburgh attended the country schools of Seneca county, Ohio, until he was eighteen years of age and then became a student at Baldwin University. After completing his course in that institution he took up educational work, teaching in country schools for ten years, and on the expiration of that period he entered the medical school of Cleveland University at Cleveland, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1895. He began his professional career at Bloomville, Seneca county, Ohio, where he remained for four years, and in 1899 he came to Toledo, which city has since been his home. His professional labors have been attended by a gratifying measure of success and as the years have passed his practice has steadily grown as he has had opportunity to demonstrate his skill and ability. Close study has formed the basis of his advancement, and combined with an appreciation of the scientific phases of his profession is a deep and abiding sympathy that prompts him to put forth earnest and effective effort where the welfare of his fellowmen is involved.

On December 25, 1884, Dr. Thornburgh was married to Miss May Seitz of Seneca county, Ohio, a daughter of Hon. John Seitz, who filled the office of state senator for eight years and was one of the most prominent men in that part of the state. Of the six children born to Dr. and Mrs. Thornburgh, John S. was the eldest. He was born in 1886 and died at Jamestown, New York, January 19, 1919, while in the service of his country, being a victim of the influenza epidemic. He married and his little daughter, Betty Jane, now resides with her paternal grandparents; Wesley Choate, the second of the family, is a native of Seneca county and acquired his education in the public schools of this city. He is an enterprising young business man and is now a member of the brokerage firm of Blanchet, Thornburgh & Vandersal. He is married and has a son, Robert W.; Orrin K. was also born in Seneca county and is connected with the Willys-Overland Company of Toledo. He is married and has two children, Adolph and Evelyn May; Victor H. is a native of Seneca county and saw service in the World war as a member of the

One Hundred and Twelfth Ammunition Train. He is also connected with the firm of Blanchet, Thornburgh & Vandersal; Edwin R. was born in Seneca county and is now in the employ of the American Plumbing Supply Company of this city. He is also a veteran of the World war, spending a year overseas with the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Field Artillery, which was a part of the Thirty-seventh Division; Mrs. Herbert F. Tigges, who was born in this city, is the youngest of the children. She is a resident of Toledo and has a son, Rolla Frederick Tigges.

Dr. Thornburgh is a member of the Central Methodist Episcopal church and his keen interest in the welfare of his city has led to his connection with the Chamber of Commerce. He is also identified with the Woodmen of the World, the Woodmen's Circle, the Protective Home Circle, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Rebekahs, an auxiliary to that order. He is likewise a member of the Automobile Club of this city and his professional relations are with the Toledo and Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio Homeopathic Association and the American Medical Association. Like all men who have achieved success in the best sense of the term, Dr. Thornburgh has been an indefatigable worker and deep and continued interest in his profession has led to the acquirement of broad knowledge and marked efficiency. He holds to high standards in professional service and enjoys the respect of his colleagues and also of the general public.

CLYDE L. DEEDS

Clyde L. Deeds, a rising young attorney of Toledo, has been identified with the bar of this city since 1913 and has thoroughly demonstrated his ability successfully to handle intricate and involved legal problems. He was born in Hancock county, Ohio, July 21, 1890, and is a son of Wellington and Alice Deeds, who are also natives of that county, in which the father successfully followed the occupation of farming until 1917. He is now living retired in Bowling Green, Ohio, and the mother also survives. Seven children were born of their union: John Clair, a resident of Bowling Green, Ohio; Neil H., of Toledo; Mrs. Gladys M. Alge and Mrs. Thelma Line, both of whom are living in Findlay, Ohio; Hollis and Mabel, who reside with their parents; and Clyde L.

In the district schools of Hancock county and the high school at Ada, Ohio, Clyde L. Deeds obtained his preparatory training and then became a student in the law department of the Ohio Northern University at Ada, from which he was graduated in 1913 with the LL. B. degree. After passing his examination he opened an office in Toledo in the same year and has since successfully followed his profession in this city. He is most thorough and conscientious in the discharge of his professional duties and his practice is a large and growing one. He is a ready and resourceful lawyer, well versed in the principles of jurisprudence. He prepares his cases with great thoroughness and care, is forceful and clear in argument, and in his presentation of a cause he seems to lose sight of no point that has a bearing upon the interest of his client. He is also connected with business activities, being a director of the hotel company of this city, and is secretary and a director of the Commerce Finance Company of Toledo.

At Cleveland, Ohio, on the 9th of June, 1920, Mr. Deeds was married to Mrs. Edna (Gill) Morrison, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Gill of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Deeds have a daughter, Marian Lucile, who was born March 27,

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1921, and is a native of this city. They are members of the First Congregational church of Toledo and Mr. Deeds gives his political allegiance to the republican party. He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Maumee River Yacht Club and the Toledo Club, while fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His professional connections are with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations and he is also a member of Delta Theta Phi, a legal fraternity. He believes in the maxim: "There is no excellence without labor," and follows it closely and in his law practice whatever he does is for the best interests of his clients and for the honor of his profession. He is an ambitious, energetic and progressive young man and in his chosen calling he is making rapid progress.

CHARLES MELVIN HARPSTER, Ph. G., M. D., F. A. C. S.

Surgeon and urologist, born, Carey, Ohio, September 13, 1873; son of David and Hannah (Holway) Harpster; graduate, high school, Toledo, Ohio, 1893; Toledo Medical College, 1896; resident surgeon, St. Vincent's Hospital, Toledo, Ohio, 1896, 1897; postgraduate work at Vienna, Berlin, Paris, London, 1899, 1900, 1910, 1913, 1914.

Delegate 1912 International Congress on Syphilis at Rome, Italy.

Married Luella A. Wilt of Fremont, Ohio, May 26, 1898. Two daughters, Helen Armenia, and Hilda Thankful.

Practiced in Toledo, Ohio, since 1898. Was surgeon-in-chief Edward Ford Plate Glass Company, 1898, 1899. Many years a member of the executive committee of the Toledo Hospital and head of the department of genito-urinary surgery. Surgeon St. Vincent's Hospital 1918 to 1920. Director of the department of genito-urinary surgery, St. Vincent's Hospital, 1920; chief surgeon, Lucas County Hospital, 1908. Practiced limited to surgery and urology; consulting chief surgeon for Ohio, for Henry L. Doherty & Co., 60 Wall street, New York, New York. Surgeon and chief surgeon many corporations and interurban railroads.

Hospital Corps, O. N. G., Sixteenth and Sixth regiments, many years. Examining surgeon, O. N. G., during Spanish-American war; major 1897, 1898.

Registered Ohio State Board of Pharmacy, by examination.

Fellow American College of Surgeons and the American Medical Association; member Ohio State Medical Association; secretary Section Genito-Urinary Surgery, four years; chairman Section Genito-Urinary Surgery, one year; member Mississippi Valley Medical Association, North Western Ohio Medical Association, Northern Tri-State Medical Association, American Urological Association, American Association Industrial Surgeons; director, American Association Industrial Surgeons, 1920, 1921, 1922; member, Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County; member, International Congress on Tuberculosis, Rome, 1912; member, Clinical Congress of Surgeons, London, 1914; member, German Surgical Association, 1902 (Honorary).

Mason—Toledo Commandery; Shriner, Scottish Rite, 32d degree; Surgeon General, Grand Commandery of Ohio, Knights Templars, 1915. Elk. Republican. Episcopalian (Trinity).

Clubs: Toledo, Exchange, Automobile, Commerce, National Exchange. Past

president, Toledo Exchange Club. Past president and originator of the National Exchange Club.

Voluminous contributor to the foreign and domestic literature on surgical and urological subjects. Articles published: "Tumors of the Bladder." Ohio State Med. Jour., Feb., 1911; Am. Jour. Urology, Jan., 1912. "Chronic Gonorrhea." Toledo Med. & Surgical Reporter, July, 1910; Abstracted Ohio State Med. Jour., July, 1910. "Hygroma of the Testicle." Abstracted Congress Syphilis Rome, 1912, Pub. in transactions. Pub. Transactions Mississippi Valley Med. Ass'n. 1910. Am. Jour. G. U. Surgery & Dermatology, Page 20, 1910; Vol. XVI, 1912. "Prostatotomy." Am. Med. Jour., Page 259, Jan. 25, 1913. "Ureteral Calculi." Ohio State Jour., Oct., 1909. "Intra-vesical operations." Ohio State Jour., May, 1910. Abs. Am. Med. Jour., July 16, 1910. "Senile Atony of Bladder." Ohio State Med. Jour., Nov., 1905. "Teno Synovitis." Ohio State Med. Jour., June, 1907. "Crushed Foot." Med. Council, Nov., 1906. "Intestinal Suture with aid of Gelatin Cylinders." Amer. Med. Jour., July, 1904. "Symptomatology and diagnosis of hypertrophy of the prostate." Pub. Am. Med. Compound, Oct., 1907. "Renal Tuberculosis." Medical & Surgical Reporter, Jan., 1905. "Stricture of the Urethra." Med. & Surg. Reporter, March, 1904. "Cysts of bladder." Detroit Med. Journal, Dec., 1904. "Incontinence of Urine in the Adult." Operation for Med. Council, 1908. "Simple points in the diagnosis of enlarged prostate." Lancet-Clinic. "Purulent & Ulcerative Cystitis." Ohio State Med. Ass'n., May, 1908. "Urethral Caruncle." Ohio State Med. Jour., Nov., 1906. "Tumors of the bladder, with further case reports and review of the High Frequency Method of Treatment." Pub. Am. Jour. Surgery, Jan., 1913. "Renal Gonorrhea." Read before Am. Urol. Ass'n., Boston, Apr., 1913; Pub. Ohio State Med. Jour., June, 1913; Am. Jour. Urology, July, 1913. "An interesting case Renal Hematuria, with three Anamalous renal arteries." Pub. Urologic Review, Vol. XVII, No. 7, 1913. Read before Ohio State Med. Ass'n., Sept., 1913. Pub. Ohio State Med. Jour. "Rupture of the Urethra following fracture of the Pelvis." Pub. Ohio State Med. Jour., Sept., 1914. Am. Uro. Trans. Read before Am. Uro. Ass'n., Phila., June, 1914. "Sarcoma of Bladder." Read at Baltimore, Md., Apr., 1915. Pub. Urological and Cutaneous Review, Apr., 1915. Trans. Am. Uro. Ass'n., 1915. "Wassidlo and Goldschmidt technic in handling obstructions at the Vesical Neck." Read Baltimore, Md., Apr., 1915. Pub. Trans. Am. Uro. Ass'n. 1915. Pub. Am. Jour. Urology, May, 1915. Pub. Surgery, Gynecology and Obs., Aug., 1914, pp. 208-212. Presented by invitation in Symposium on indications for Surgical Intervention in Obstructions at the Neck of the Bladder, at the meeting of the American Urological Association, Baltimore, Md., April, 1915.

One of the most important of his vast fund of contributions to medical literature is an article on "Injuries of the Head," which was published in full in the Ohio Medical Journal for October, 1918. One of his latest articles is "The Surgeon in Relation to Public Service Companies." Modern Medicine. August and September, 1919. "Indigo Carmine as a functional Kidney test," Pub. Urological & Cutaneous Review, Vol. XXIV. No. 8, 1920. "Original investigations and comparative values of Indigo Carmine as a functional Kidney test." Pub. Urological & Cutaneous Review, Feb., 1922. Pub. Ohio State Med. Jour., Mar., 1922. Read before Ohio State Medical Ass'n., Columbus, May, 1921. "Anomalies of the Kidney & Ureter." Read before the American Urological Ass'n., Atlantic City, April, 1922. Read before Ohio State Med. Ass'n., Cincinnati, May, 1922. "Anom-

alies of the Kidney & Ureter." Pub. Ohio State Medical Journal, August, 1922. Pub. American Journal of Urology, October, 1922.

Home, No. 2141 Robinwood avenue, November to May; summer home, Grand View, Monroe county, Michigan, June to November.

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JUDGE O'BRIEN O'DONNELL

Judge O'Brien O'Donnell, who for fourteen years has occupied the bench of the probate court at Toledo, his entire judicial record being one over which there falls no shadow of wrong, while on the contrary his work has won the highest commendation of the legal profession and of the public at large, was born in St. Clair county, Michigan, a son of Patrick and Honora O'Donnell and a grandson of John O'Donnell, who was born in Ireland and on coming to America cast in his lot with the pioneer settlers of Wayne county, Michigan, whence he afterward removed to St. Clair county. In his native land and in his adopted country he followed agricultural pursuits. The mother of Judge O'Donnell was also born in Ireland and came of English and Irish ancestry. She was about thirteen years of age when she took up her abode in Michigan, which remained the state of her residence to the time of her death in Kent county in 1905.

O'Brien O'Donnell was reared on his father's farm in St. Clair county and after attending the district schools prepared for a professional career by a course in the Detroit College of Law, from which he was graduated. Later he was admitted to practice at the bar of both Michigan and Ohio and also in the United States court and the federal district court. He entered upon active practice at Port Huron, Michigan, and in the spring of 1896 came to Toledo, where he has remained. He was not long in becoming well established in a large and important practice and was notable for the thoroughness and care with which he prepared his cases and the strength, clearness and cogency of his arguments, as he presented his cause before the court. He remained in private practice until February, 1909, when he became judge of probate for Lucas county, to which position he was elected upon an independent ticket, and was designated judge of the juvenile court for Lucas county. In this connection a contemporary biographer has written: "His record of service classifies him as a fine type of the modern judge. He does not represent the stern justice that inflicts penalties without discretion or discrimination, but rather believes and acts so that, with due respect for the welfare of society, the individual wrongdoer may be set on the road to reformation. This important characteristic of his work has been especially prominent as judge of the juvenile court, and Judge O'Donnell has been frequently commended in Toledo and elsewhere for his service in inaugurating the 'Big Brother' movement as a factor in the conservation and reformation of misguided and unfortunate youth. In a branch of the judiciary that is comparatively new in modern civil government, and one that requires for its effective working the finest balance of judgment and character, Judge O'Donnell has performed a service of inestimable benefit to the present and future generations, and has given his court a high standing throughout the country. . . . In order to supplement the agencies established by law and to carry out some of his high ideals for the reformation of young boys who were daily brought

into his court, Judge O'Donnell inaugurated in Toledo the 'Big Brother' movement. As a result delinquent boys in the majority of cases, instead of being remanded to some institution are placed under a sort of parole and under the individual guardianship of responsible persons who have voluntarily assumed their share of civic obligations and whose duty it is to faithfully endeavor to give the lads a chance of life and guide them towards real manhood. Naturally, as judge of the juvenile court, Mr. O'Donnell is the official head of this system, and his own personality has had much to do with its successful working. He has shown a wonderful sympathy with so-called incorrigible youths of the city of Toledo, and no one understands better the depth of a boy's nature or can read more clearly the mysteries of their heart and mind. To his work he has brought a high enthusiasm and an unselfish purpose which has contributed probably more than anything else to the admirable record which he has made. His duties in the probate court are arduous and exacting, and are performed with punctilious care, so that it is generally understood that the interests of widows and orphans are safely entrusted when in the keeping of Judge O'Donnell. In spite of the incessant demands upon his time and strength by reason of his official duties, Judge O'Donnell really regards his position as a privilege and an opportunity and is employing all the gifts and talents of a high-minded man for the sake of a great public benefit. Judge O'Donnell is also known as an eloquent public speaker, and always has something worth saying and something which is worth remembering. In fact, Judge O'Donnell is one of the men best fitted to speak on social conditions that prevail in Toledo, since for the past six or seven years he has daily been brought into contact with the classes and masses, and well understands 'how the other half live.' "

Judge O'Donnell belongs to St. Francis de Sales Catholic church and has membership with the Knights of Columbus and the Young Men's Christian Association, the Knights of the Modern Maccabees and the Inverness Club. He is also associated with the Chamber of Commerce and along professional lines with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. He has always voted with the democratic party where national questions are involved but at local elections believes in an independent ballot and upon an independent ticket has been elected probate judge, in which position he is now serving for the fourteenth year, his reelections having come to him as an expression of trust in his capability and faithfulness to the important duties that devolve upon him.

AMOS L. CONN

Amos L. Conn, member of the Toledo bar, engaged in general practice, was born in Mifflin, Ohio, July 3, 1879, and is a son of Enoch and Sarah (Eby) Conn, the former a carpenter by trade and now deceased.

Amos L. Conn was educated in the public schools and in the Ohio Northern University, at Ada, Ohio, where he pursued his literary education, while later he entered upon preparation for the bar as a law student in Grant University at Chattanooga, Tennessee, from which he was graduated with the class of 1906. Looking about him for a favorable location, he at length decided upon Toledo and that he made no mistake in his choice is indicated in the enviable place which he has made for himself as a representative of the bar of this city. Locating here, he entered upon general practice and through the passing years has worked his way steadily

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upward, demonstrating his ability to cope with involved and intricate legal problems. He displays skill in the presentation of evidence, marked ability in cross examination, persuasiveness before the jury and a strong grasp of every feature of the case. Untiring industry is a dominant element in his law practice and he is at all times faithful to the interests of his clients. He belongs to the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations and his popularity among his professional brethren in this city is indicated in the fact that he has been elected to the presidency of the Lawyers Club.

On the 7th of September, 1910, Mr. Conn was united in marriage to Miss Grace M. Bennis and to them have been born three children: Rachel Elizabeth, Helen Louise and Robert Jackson. Mr. Conn belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and in its work and objects is deeply interested. He has membership in the Rossford Methodist Episcopal church and was formerly president of its official board. He is also president of the building committee having in charge the erection of a new church and his time and attention aside from his profession are mostly given to church work. He finds his recreation in the development and improvement of a five-acre farm, which he has made a thing of beauty in its orderly productiveness.

HORACE K. BECKWITH, M. D.

Dr. Horace K. Beckwith, physician and surgeon of Toledo, was born in this city, July 4, 1891, and is a son of Seth W. and Ida B. (Kurtz) Beckwith, the former a native of Huron county, Ohio, while the latter was born in Wyandot county, this state. They always remained residents of Ohio and the father became a prominent physician and surgeon of Toledo, ranking particularly high by reason of his great efficiency in surgery. He died in this city in 1909 and here his widow still makes her home. In their family were two children. the other being a daughter, Myrtle, who has passed away.

Horace K. Beckwith attended the Toledo public schools and the Central high school, from which he was graduated in May, 1909. He afterward pursued a course of study in the Toledo University and still later entered the Ohio State University, taking a three years' course. He then completed his professional training in the Detroit College of Medicine, from which he was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1916. Soon after his graduation he entered the Lucas County Hospital as an interne and in 1917 entered upon the private practice of medicine and surgery. In the same year, however, he enlisted in the medical division for war service and was commissioned a first lieutenant, being kept on duty in this country until discharged in May, 1919.

At that date Dr. Beckwith again opened an office in Toledo, where he has remained in active practice, and steadily he has advanced in his chosen profession, his ability being attested by the large patronage now accorded him. He belongs to the Lucas County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association and through his connection with these bodies keeps in touch with the trend of modern professional thought and scientific research.

On the 1st of September, 1917, Dr. Beckwith was united in marriage to Miss Mary Lucille Scott of Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Farr L. Scott. Fraternally the Doctor is connected with the Masons and he also belongs to the East Side Commercial Club. He is interested in all of those forces which make for the uplift

of the individual and the betterment of the community, while along professional lines he is actuated by a most progressive and earnest spirit, manifest in the faithful and conscientious performance of his duties.

GEORGE B. RHEINFRANK

George B. Rheinfrank is one of Toledo's well known architects, to whose skill and ability are attributed many of the important and substantial business edifices and beautiful homes of the city, all of which stand as monuments to his professional skill. Mr. Rheinfrank was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, on the 15th of April, 1874, and while spending his youthful days in the home of his parents, Dr. John H. and Sophia (Bruckner) Rheinfrank, at that place, he attended the public schools, mastering the work of successive grades and the high school. Later he pursued a two years' course in the University of Michigan and spent an equal period as a student of architecture in the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated with the class of 1899. His thorough preparation constituted the lower rounds of the ladder on which he has climbed to success in his profession. Experience has constantly broadened his knowledge and he has kept in close touch with professional thought and progress through study and observation.

On the 15th of December, 1913, Mr. Rheinfrank was married to Miss Ida Taylor, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Taylor of Toledo, and they have a son, George B., Jr., who was born in 1916. In his political views Mr. Rheinfrank is an independent and served for one term as a member of the city council during the administration of Brand Whitlock as mayor. He belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and withholds his support and cooperation from no plan or project instituted by that organization for the city's benefit and upbuilding. He is also a member of the Architects Club and of the Kiwanis Club, while along more strictly social lines his membership is with the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club, the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club and the Toledo Art Museum. Fraternally he is a Mason, identified with the lodge and both the York and Scottish rite bodies, while with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine he has also crossed the sands of the desert. He is loyal to any cause which he espouses and he is faithful to all public duties and obligations, while along the line of professional activity he has been actuated by a most creditable ambition and progressive spirit that has gained him a satisfying place in the front rank of Toledo's architects.

RALPH BOYD SMITH

Ralph Boyd Smith has operated in the real estate field in Toledo since 1916 and, organizing the Ralph B. Smith Company, has since been at its head. He is a young man, but already he has established himself in a position in business circles that many a man of twice his years might well envy. His birth occurred in Fredericksburg, Ohio, October 13, 1890, and he is a son of Boyd W. and Katherine (Skiles) Smith.

At the usual age Ralph B. Smith entered the public schools and mastering the work of successive grades, became a high school pupil at Wooster, Ohio, there

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completing his education. In his early business career he spent three years as assistant superintendent of the East Cleveland Water Works and then went on the road as a traveling salesman, being thus engaged for three years. During a period of similar length he carried on merchandising at Columbus, Ohio, and then came to Toledo, believing that the rapid and substantial growth of this city offered excellent opportunities in the real estate field. It was in 1916 that he arrived here and became connected with the real estate business, which led eventually to his organization of the Ralph B. Smith Company, of which he is the president. Under this caption he is conducting his business and his diligence, enterprise and alert business methods are productive of substantial results. Already his patronage is making extensive demands upon his time and energies and each year has marked an increase in the volume of business which he has transacted.

On the 2d of June, 1917, Mr. Smith was united in marriage to Miss Martha Johns of Columbus, Ohio, and to them has been born an interesting little son, Ralph Boyd, Jr., whose birth occurred February 25, 1918, in Toledo, Ohio.

Following America's entrance into the World war Mr. Smith went to the Officers Training School at Camp Gordon, Atlanta, winning his commission as second lieutenant about the time the armistice was signed. He is a consistent follower of Masonic teachings and has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, while with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. He also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He has membership in the Commerce Club and he is identified with the Inverness, Toledo and Toledo Yacht clubs. He is a member of the Toledo Real Estate Board as well as a member of the State and National Real Estate associations. It has been said that recreation is next in importance to industry and in his life Ralph B. Smith has maintained an even balance between these, thus developing a well-rounded character. Already he has attained a creditable place in real estate circles for one of his years and under his careful guidance his business seems to be increasing not only year by year but almost month by month. His home is at No. 4205 Lowe road.

SAMUEL M. JONES

Many things in American life are accepted now in practice and belief that a few years ago were regarded as Utopian and unassimilable. It is really a better way to measure progress by this gradual readjustment to new principles of social justice than by mechanical inventions and colossal aggregations of material power. A towering factory, a railroad system, is something of a testimonial to the creative power of the individual mind and energy, but it is less significant in the long view of centuries than the establishment of some principle or rule in human conduct that abolishes forever an age-old injustice. It was as a pioneer in giving practical vitality and practice to ancient truth that Samuel M. Jones will have his place in history. He brought no new philosophy; he merely practiced what had been preached so long as to have lost its real meaning. He was known as Toledo's "Golden Rule Mayor." Strangely enough, in carrying the golden rule into business and politics, he made himself a singular and picturesque figure in American life; and in regulating his life by a standard upheld by church and moralists for centuries, he found himself exposed to as much ridicule and denunciation as though he were

the originator of the rule. What he actually accomplished as an administrator of a successful business concern and of the municipal government of Toledo, gives him a high place in the history of that city, but altogether that is less important than the influence from his life and character that was introduced as a practical and definite fruitage into a wide and national, if not international, campaign for a revision of our social ideas and industrial methods which have gradually gathered increasing momentum since his death.

Samuel M. Jones was born August 3, 1846, and died July 12, 1904. Beyond this brief introduction it is not the purpose of this article to interpret his career but merely to set forth the significant and essential points of his biography. This can best be done by quoting appropriate passages from his autobiography, which appears in his book, "The New Right," written by Mr. Jones in 1899, while he was mayor of Toledo. He remained Toledo's "Golden Rule Mayor" for five years after the book was published, and really died at his post. But the vital experiences of his life and the formulation of that political philosophy which he exemplified are contained in his autobiography. With only such changes, therefore, as the necessity for abbreviation requires, the following paragraphs are quoted in his own language:

"I was born on August 3, 1846, in a small stone house still standing, known as Ty Mawr (Big House) about three miles from the peaceful village of Bedd Gelert, Caernarvonshire, North Wales. Three years ago I had the privilege and pleasure of visiting the rude house where I was born, the floor of which was composed of rough flagstones. I am glad that I left the place at such an early age that I cannot recall any of the hard experiences that my parents must have had there.

"When I was three years of age they emigrated to America. As I understand the situation, and as the story has been told to me, they were what would now be classed as 'assisted' emigrants, who are today denied the right to land. The passage across the Atlantic was made in the steerage of a sailing vessel and the voyage completed in the unusually fast time of thirty days. From New York passage was taken in a canal boat up the Hudson river through the Erie canal to Utica, whence they went by wagon forty-five miles to the northward and settled in the vicinity of Collinsville, Lewis county. In Wales my father had worked in the slate quarries, and so he naturally drifted into the stone quarries and stone mason work in this country; soon afterward he became a renter of tenant farms, with the result that he usually succeeded in getting a tolerable livelihood for himself and family, but that was about all.

"I went to the village school as soon as I was old enough and I recall that it was during those early years of my life the schools were made free in New York state. From my earliest recollection I had a strong dislike to farm work, and this disliking was called by another name by my family and the neighbors; they called it 'laziness,' but I now assert that I have not now and never had a lazy hair in my head; it was simply the rebellion of a free soul against the injustice of the kind and quality of labor so sought to be imposed upon me.

"At ten years of age I worked by the month for a farmer who used to get me out of bed at four o'clock in the morning. It was true that my work was not of the heaviest kind—that is I was not required to carry things I could not lift—but I was dragged out of bed at an unearthly hour when a growing boy should be sleeping, and started off after the cows, and my day's work was not ended until sundown; and for this service I received the munificent salary of three dollars per month. I went to the schools in the winter, more or less, and there got my start for an

education that I am still acquiring. I have not yet graduated and never expect to graduate; I am far more of a student today than I ever was at any earlier period of my life. As nearly as I can remember I went to school all told about thirty months; during that time I did not get beyond fractions in arithmetic, and I have never studied grammar in or out of school an hour in my life. The education I have acquired has been gained under the severe handicap of a lack of technical training in the fundamental rules.

"When I was fourteen years of age I worked in a sawmill twelve hours a day, sawing barrel heading, and one day I brought the little finger of my right hand in contact with the saw. I still bear the marks of the wound as a memento. Shortly after this I secured a boon I had longed for for years; that was a job on the steamer L. R. Lyon, running on the Black river between Lyon's Falls and Carthage. I had a mechanical turn of mind, and was very ambitious and hopeful that some day I might rise to the exalted position (as it seemed to me) of a steamboat engineer. The getting of this job, which was that of 'wiper and greaser,' seemed like the beginning of the realization of the hopes of future happiness. I spent the greater part of three summers on this boat and gained some little knowledge of mechanical engineering that proved useful to me in after life; indeed, it was the advice of a steamboat engineer who had spent the winter of 1864-65 in the oil regions of Pennsylvania that in all probability was instrumental in changing the course of my life; for it was he who said to me one day, 'Sammy, you are a fool to spend your time on these steamboats; you should go to the oil regions; you can get four dollars a day there.' A little conversation with him soon led me to determine that his advice was worth considering, and a few days later I landed at Titusville, Pennsylvania, the headquarters and gateway practically of the oil regions, with fifteen cents in my pocket and without the benefit of the acquaintance of a single individual in the city."

Then followed several days of disheartening search for work. At only one place did he receive consideration and kindly advice, and that was an experience that Mr. Jones always remembered and he said that he had made it a point, no matter how busy he was, to try to find time at least for a kindly word for the man out of a job, and when he had a factory of his own the walls were never defaced by any sign "no help wanted." On the following day he started for Pithole, then one of the noted boom centers of the oil industry. There his recommendation secured him work as an engineer at four dollars a day. In his autobiography Mr. Jones describes the mushroom growth of that city and its equally rapid decline. After some months of steady work he found one day the offices of the company closed and the following winter he spent in the ranks of those "out of work."

"From 1865 to 1870 I had a varied experience, working as driller, pumper, tool dresser, pipe liner, in fact, doing all kinds of work in the oil regions and for about six months working as a tool sharpener on a 'rock job' in the construction of a new railroad in northern New York. Returning to Pleasantville, Pennsylvania, in the summer of 1868 I was fortunate enough to strike a steady job, that boon which the toilers of earth so much crave and which they are so often denied. In the two years that followed I saved a few hundred dollars and 'started in for myself,' moving about from place to place as new oil fields were discovered—from Pleasantville to Parkers' Landing, and from there to Turkey City, Clarion county, where I lived for six years and where I secured quite an important part of my literary education in the meetings of the Turkey City Literary Club,

of which I was a member and part of the time president. It was while I lived there that I married, October 20, 1875, the wife of my youth, Alma Bernice Curtiss of Pleasantville, as sweet-spirited and helpful a soul as ever inhabited this world of ours, with whom I lived for ten years. She bore to me three children: Percy, born at Turkey City in February, 1878; Eva Belle, born at Duke Centre, August, 1879; Paul, born at the same place, May, 1884. Our little girl, Midgie we called her, died shortly after she was two years of age, and her mother's death followed in December, 1885.

"The separation from these two souls was the greatest trial and severest shock of my life. The little girl in the first place had somehow gotten nearer to my heart than any other creature, and the cloud that obscured the sunshine from my sky had scarcely cleared away during the four years that followed her death, when the greater trial came in the death of the wife of my youth. I think now that my suffering was greatly intensified by the confused notions I then held regarding life and its purposes. I now no longer think of them, or of any of the many friends who are gone, as dead, as I then thought of death.

"Taking a backward glance over the twenty-four years that have passed since my first marriage I do not recall any happier years than were the first three which we spent in a small cottage, our first home, on the Shoup farm about one-half mile outside of Turkey City, where I had a small interest in an oil lease. I pumped an oil well, cultivated a small garden and assisted my wife with the washing, which we used to do jointly at the boiler house, where I had steam and hot water convenient for the purpose. She repaid me by watching the engine while I was gone to town on necessary errands and together we dug a part of our living out of the small garden; in addition to this, my wife taught music to two girl friends and presided at the organ in the Sunday school that was held in the hall of the literary club. We lived quite a natural life, comparatively free from the care and burden of 'things' and being so, we were at liberty to contribute our share to the common welfare of the community, and we had the best kind of times in so doing. I merely make mention of this because I want to impress the thought upon the minds of young people that the simpler the life the better it is, and the greater its possibilities in an artistic sense. Jesus made no mistake when he said that 'life does not consist in things.'

"From Duke Centre in the Bradford oil fields, McKeon county, to which we had moved in 1878, and where we lived for six years, I moved after the death of my wife to Bradford, and one year later in 1886 to Lima, Ohio, being induced to do so mainly by my friends, who thought that a change of scene would serve to divert my mind from the great sorrow that had come upon me in the separation referred to. I at once engaged in the oil business in Lima, leasing lands, and drilled what was known as the 'first large oil well' in Ohio; it was known as the Tunget well, located about three miles east of Lima, and it started at about six hundred barrels a day. The Standard Oil Company was the only buyer of Lima oil at that time, and was paying forty cents a barrel for it, but on the day after the Tunget well was struck the price declined to thirty-seven and one-half cents and a few days later to thirty-five cents.

"When I arrived at Lima there were but twenty oil wells in the state of Ohio. The development of oil in the Ohio field marked an epoch in the history of our greatest oil trust, the Standard Oil Company. Prior to 1886 this company had never been a producer of petroleum—merely a buyer, manufacturer and shipper—but soon after the drill had demonstrated that Ohio and Indiana contained vast

areas of prolific oil territory, it entered the field as a producer. And right here I want to say that I have been familiar with the development and growth of this company from the beginning, and that while there has always been vigorous and pronounced opposition to it and to its methods, much of this opposition has seemed to me to be a 'waste of powder,' for I have always observed that as soon as those who were most pronounced in their antagonism to the Standard Oil Company and its methods were taken into the fold and made to share in the profits of the concern, their complaints suddenly ceased. From an intimate knowledge of the methods of the Standard Oil Company, covering twenty-five years, and the methods of business generally, I feel that as a socialist, as a man who believes in brotherhood, simple justice requires me to say that the ethics of that corporation are simply a reflex of the ethics prevailing in the business world and that guide and control the business men of today.

"My experience as an oil operator in the Ohio and Indiana fields has been that of hundreds of others. I have simply taken advantage of opportunities offered by an unfair social system and gained what the world calls success—that is, I have accumulated some property. I was one of the original incorporators of the Ohio Oil Company, now the producing department of the Standard Oil Company, and in proof of what I have just said I will say that in its early history the Ohio Oil Company had the opportunity before it practically to capture the Ohio oil field. It was composed of experienced oil producers, men who knew every detail of that business, but who lacked the ability to go forward and carry the thing through to the success that has been realized by the Standard Oil Company. We did not understand the art of competition, and so we surrendered (sold out) to the Standard.

"In 1892 I married my present wife, Helen L. Beach of Toledo, who has been to me a helpmeet and to my children everything that their own mother could have been except that she did not bear them." On October 3, 1897, a son was born to them, Mason Beach Jones, who attended the Toledo high school, class of 1917. "At that time (1892) I moved from Lima, where I had made my home for six years, to this city (Toledo). During 1892 and 1893 I spent a great deal of my time in the oil fields among the wells and invented some simple but valuable improvements in oil well appliances and in 1894 I began the manufacture of these and other oil well appliances at 600 Segur avenue, where the work was carried on under the name of the Acme Sucker Rod Company (now known as the S. M. Jones Company).

"Prior to this time I knew little about 'labor conditions.' As a rule, labor in the oil fields had enjoyed fair wages compared to similar work outside, and having passed most of my life in small towns I had seen little real suffering among the working people. I think the first real shock to my social conscience came when the swarms of men swooped down upon us begging for work, soon after signs of life began to be manifest around the abandoned factory which we rented for our new enterprise. I began to think about the thing called wages, and as I learned that men were employed at common labor at a dollar a day and even less, the whole hideous wrong of the wage system began to reveal itself to me. I saw at once that it was a purely arbitrary arrangement, in which the man who had nothing but his labor to sell had no choice; he must accept what his employer offers, the alternative being usually starvation for himself and his children. I resolved that the 'going wages' rule should not reign supreme in the Acme Sucker Rod Company, but rather, I said, we would try to recognize the rule that every man is entitled to such a share of the product of his toil as will enable him to live decently, in a way

that he and his children may be fit to be citizens of a free republic of equals; and since that time, as best I know how, I have tried to be true to this principle.

"I soon discovered that I was making the acquaintance of a new kind of man. Always a believer in the equality of the Declaration of Independence, I now for the first time came into contact with working men who seemed to have a sense of social inferiority, wholly incapable of any conception of equality, and this feeling I believed it was my duty to destroy. Without any organized plan, and hardly knowing what I was doing, I determined that this groveling conception must be overcome; so we began to take steps to break down this feeling of class distinction and social inequality. The first year we began to 'get together' with little excursions down the bay, we invited our workmen and their families and also some other people who live in big houses and who do not work with their hands, or anything else for the matter of that; we sought to mix them, to let them understand that we are all people—'just people,' you know. As our business increased we took in new men, we made no special effort at selection; there were always plenty of 'out of work' willing and waiting to rent themselves out to us, that is, to allow us to use them to add to our wealth and incidentally to get an existence for themselves. We asked no questions as to their habits, their morals or their religion; we ignored the sacred rules of business that go so far in some cases as even to submit the men to physical examinations in order to avoid the risk of responsibility incurred through physical weakness. In fact, we were going along in a free and easy way, occasionally giving the boys a word of caution, perhaps printed on a pay envelope, or a little letter expressing goodwill and fellowship and a word of friendly advice.

"It was the distress of mind occasioned by seeing a string of rules a yard long in another factory, at the tail of every one of which was a threat of dismissal, that led me to say to my wife, 'I am going to have a rule for our shop; I am going to have the Golden Rule printed on a piece of tin and nail it up as the rule that governs the place.' It was not any belief in my own goodness of heart or my ability to reach the lofty ideal of doing to others as I would be done by, but it was the reaction that came from the contemplation of the outrageous injustice that was practiced upon my fellowmen by the ironclad rules to which they are made abject slaves in order to gain the right to a bare living, that led to the setting up of the Golden Rule on our wall. At that time I did not realize the limitations that are placed upon our better natures by the economic conditions that surround us. I did not know that the competitive system of industry was calculated to bring out everything that is bad and to suppress all that is good in us, as I now know that it is. The putting up of the Golden Rule was the first radical move that was made at the Acme Sucker Rod Factory. There were several things about that that may properly be called radical. In the first place, it was acknowledging a basis of equality for all about the premises; next, it was ignoring the time-honored precedent, 'doing as other people do;' finally it was an assumption at least that this fundamental rule of conduct, given us by the founder of Christianity, was a livable and practical thing.

"Perhaps the most helpful thing of all has been the opening of the Golden Rule Park and Playground. This is a lot of ground only one hundred and fifty feet square adjoining the factory at the corner of Segur and Field avenues. Some fine old forest trees made it possible to convert this into a little park for the people and playground for the children, and it has been used and enjoyed to the utmost. The Sunday afternoon meetings for the people have been most delightful experiences. Brotherhood and Golden Rule and Golden Rule and Brotherhood have

been the popular themes we have been preaching from its platform. We have now supplemented the Golden Rule Park with the Golden Rule Hall, which was opened last Thanksgiving Day, where we hope to join in the teaching and study of this idea of brotherhood that is yet to save the world that Jesus died to redeem. We wish to have it distinctly understood that we do not lay claim to have done anything for which we either desire or deserve any credit. No man wants or deserves credit for having done what was simply his duty and we cannot lay claim to having done more; in fact, we do not feel that we have lived up to our convictions. We started out by joining in the universal admission that 'something was wrong.' The wronged men and women and children have been and are so constantly before us, whether asleep or awake, that we have been impelled by an irresistible power to do what we have done in the hope that we might uncover something that would correct the wrong. In following this impulse we have uncovered something; we have found the source, the evil, that we believe to be the cause of all the misery, wretchedness, want, poverty and crime that afflict this fair earth today. The cause of all this horrid category of evils is found in social injustice, springing out of a denial of brotherhood; from this social injustice proceed the causes which produce and perpetuate all the miseries that I have enumerated."

After becoming established as a successful manufacturer Mr. Jones broadened his experience by a number of journeys both in this country and in Europe, and everywhere he used his keen observation to learn more about the problems of social justice which had so long perplexed him. Continuing he says: "The revelations of truth that came pouring in upon me as a consequence of my experience with the swarms of hungry men looking for work about the Acme Sucker Rod factory brought me more and more every day to a realization of the truth that I have talked so much about, the truth of brotherhood and the equal right of every man to a place upon the earth, as well as an equal right to live an entire human life. It was the result of these revelations and reflections and my seeking some way of escape from the guilt of the dreadful system in which we are all caught that led me, in the conduct of the work of our own business, to take such steps looking toward a mitigation of these evils as I have already outlined. The social gatherings, wherein we made an attempt to break down the absurd notions of social distinction between employer and employed; the shortening of the time of labor to a fifty hour week; the practicing of a little profit sharing at Christmas time and during the last year the giving a week's vacation with full pay, are measures we have employed in the hope of moralizing the system of industry in our plant. I now see that all these measures, while they are steps in the right direction, are insufficient. Fundamentally and scientifically, as well as according to all Christian conception, it is plain that every man is entitled to all the fruit of his toil. It follows, therefore, that neither I nor any other man has a right to take profit from his fellows, nor shall we want to in a just social order.

"It was the application of these principles at the Acme Sucker Rod factory that brought my name with some degree of prominence before the Toledo public. In the spring of 1897 the republican convention, to which I had been chosen a delegate, assembled in the city for the purpose of nominating a city ticket. There were three candidates for the office of mayor. After four ballots there was no choice and two of the candidates looked about for a man upon whom they could combine their forces to defeat the third, who was likely to be the winner on the next ballot. In this emergency my name was placed before the convention, and I

was nominated on the fifth ballot. I had been a resident of the city a little more than four years, had never been in a convention before, was not a member of a single club or fraternal society, and as my time had been largely spent outside the city in the oil fields I had of course but a limited acquaintance. The politicians and the wise men who fancied that they knew how it was all going to turn out were simply astounded; they could not by any possibility account for such a strange performance, that an entire stranger, who had never done anything for the party, a comparatively unknown man, should walk in and capture a plum so longed for and so highly prized; should jump, as it were, right over the heads of faithful party workers who had toiled long and patiently during many weary years to serve the party.

"And yet it was all due to a little effort put forth to deal justly with our fellowmen, and the workingmen, the toilers who produce all and have so little, were quick to realize, keen to appreciate and anxious to place the seal of their approval upon even this small effort in behalf of the city.

"Being unacquainted with the city I decided at once that the wise course for me to pursue was not to attempt the organization of a political machine, but to start out at once to tell some of the truths that had been crowding in upon me, speak my mind, make a plea for a better social order, for fair play, for a Golden Rule deal all around. In line with this policy I entered upon the work of the campaign, and though unused to public speaking made many speeches in various parts of the city, in parks, factories and little halls over saloons where I could assemble men together. On one occasion I addressed a democratic club, advocating non-partisan municipal politics. (I have gone only a step further now that I am advocating absolute non-partisan politics under all circumstances, the absolute destruction of partisan politics as the necessary first step to the realization of free government.) Though vigorously opposed by the forces of individualism, and particularly by the saloon-keepers, who feared on account of the fact I was known to be a member of a church, that a drastic policy would follow my election, I was elected by a majority of five hundred and thirty-four."

During his first administration Mayor Jones says that he made no effort to serve the republican party nor to serve any other party, sect, clique or clan. He advocated some measures looking toward social justice in the management of the affairs and work of the city; he strongly advocated the shorter work day, and at least two important departments are now operating under it, the police department and the waterworks department. He advocated, and the police commissioners adopted, the merit system instead of the spoil system that had for years kept the police department a wrangling, fighting, jarring collection of men, hating one another instead of loving one another. Many things that he did and the measures he advocated were called "radical," but on the whole the administration was well received by the people of the city and that portion of the country outside that knew anything about it.

In his second annual message Mr. Jones advocated a large program of measures, favoring the establishment or control by the municipality of such public utilities as a fuel gas plant, electric lighting plant, civil service rule in all departments, the granting of no franchises without popular approval, the abandonment of the contract system of public works, and the improvement and extension of the park system, the schools, bathing beaches, etc. Some weeks after he sent in this message Mr. Jones received a letter from William Dean Howells who wrote: "I know of no public paper in these times of greater value than your annual message,

of which some unknown friend sent me a copy. It is full of good sense springing from the humanity which is the source of all good sense. With yourself and Governor Pingree in official life we cannot quite lose courage, even when the republic is trying to turn itself into an empire."

In March, 1899, came the republican convention for the nomination of a candidate for mayor. The interesting account Mr. Jones gives of this convention is too long to be quoted, and it must suffice to state that as a result of familiar manipulation and after three ballots had been taken another nominee was named, this constituting practically a repudiation of the preceding mayor's administration. Immediately following the convention Mr. Jones announced himself as a candidate for the office of mayor on an independent ticket. A part of the letter making this announcement is as follows: "The principles which have guided me and upon which I shall go before the people as an independent candidate are: Equal opportunities for all and special privileges to none. Public ownership of all public utilities. No grant of new or extension of existing franchises. The abolition of the private contract system of doing city work. A minimum wage of one dollar and a half per day of eight hours for common labor; organized labor to be employed on all public work.

"As no criticism has been entered against the administration of the mayor's office, it follows that my defeat for renomination in the convention today is a repudiation of these principles. The methods employed to accomplish my defeat were so notoriously corrupt as to excite the indignation of all classes of the entire community, irrespective of party. The unqualified promise of support from these is a comforting assurance that government by the people has not yet perished from the earth. . . . . The movement to defeat me found its chief inspiration in my well known opposition to the extension of the franchises of the street railway company and those sought for by the Water street railway, as the plans of men of eminent respectability will be seriously interfered with if these schemes are blocked."

In the campaign that followed Mr. Jones had to deal not only with the determined opposition of the "interests" but also with the ministers of the various churches in the city, who found fault with him because he had not closed or would not promise to close the saloons and gambling houses of the city. In his reply to the ministers he said in part: "The records of the police court in this city reveal the fact that there have been many attempts in the past to enforce various phases of the saloon laws with the practically uniform result of a failure to make a case and the saddling of the costs on the city. This simply proves a well known truth that, no matter what law is on the books, the only law that can be enforced is the law that the public sentiment of the community will uphold. On this point I shall be explicit. I have enforced and shall continue to enforce all the laws according to the standard of existing public sentiment." Another spectacular feature of the campaign was a revival meeting led by the famous evangelist Sam P. Jones, who made some very violent attacks upon Mr. Jones' personal character and his conduct of both business and municipal affairs.

The labor vote was almost unanimously in support of Mr. Jones, and in spite of many predictions that he could not be elected, the counting of the ballots showed that out of a total vote of over twenty-four thousand, Jones, the independent, received fully seventy per cent, carrying every precinct but one in the city.

The funeral services of Samuel M. Jones were conducted at the family residence, and on the day that he was to be laid to rest friends began congregating in

the morning, many bringing with them their lunches, and thousands paid their last respects to the man they had so dearly loved and honored. The streets were thronged with friends from the house to the cemetery. Services were conducted by Rev. Marion Hyde, Rev. Allan A. Tanner and Brand Whitlock. Never in the history of Toledo was there ever such a gathering of sorrowing friends, and too much could not be said of the love the people held for this grand good man.

JOHN T. TAYLOR

John T. Taylor, a native son of Toledo and a member of one of the old and highly respected families of the city, is now filling the office of sheriff of Lucas county and his course has won the approval of all law-abiding citizens, who recognize the fact that he is doing all in his power to protect their interests. He was born October 14, 1886, and is a son of John E. and Elizabeth (Meadows) Taylor, the former a native of England, while the latter was born at St. Catherines, in the province of Ontario, Canada. As a young man the father came to the United States and for many years he has successfully engaged in the practice of veterinary surgery in Toledo. The mother is also living. Three children were born to their union: Amy, whose death occurred in 1909; George E., proprietor of the Taylor Trucking Company and a resident of Toledo; and John T.

John T. Taylor acquired his education in the Erie and La Grange street schools of Toledo and early displayed a spirit of independence and enterprise, working at the Toledo Yacht Club on Sundays when only eleven years of age, although he was not compelled to do so, as his parents provided him with all of the advantages enjoyed by other boys. Later he secured a clerkship in the grocery store conducted by Miller Brothers and remained in their employ for fourteen years, resigning to accept the appointment of deputy sheriff under Mr. Jackman, with whom he was associated until 1912. In 1902 Mr. Taylor had joined the Ohio National Guard, being made stable sergeant of Battery D, and in August, 1914, he was commissioned a lieutenant of the Sixth Ohio Infantry. Mr. Gardner at that time was sheriff of Lucas county, with the subject of this review as his deputy. When the trouble arose on the Mexican border Lieutenant Taylor was ordered to that section of the country, where he remained until the United States entered the World war, and while there stationed he was operated on for appendicitis. After he recovered he was sent to Camp Sheridan, Alabama, and later to Camp Lee, Virginia, where he was transferred to the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Brigade, winning promotion to the rank of captain. In Virginia he had the handling of recruits and later he was made commandant of the stockade at Camp Lee, in which connection he had charge of one hundred and seventy-five prisoners of war. On the 5th of May, 1919, he was discharged from the service and returned to Toledo, joining the police department. He was placed in command of the mounted squad, but resigned in August, 1919, and secured an assignment with the United States shipping board, sending out government material from the Toledo factories. He was engaged in that task until June, 1920, when he was prevailed upon to accept the nomination for sheriff of Lucas county and won the election by a large majority, entering upon the duties of the office on the 3d of January, 1921, and in November, 1922, was reelected to a second term. He is strict, fearless and prompt in the performance of the work which devolves upon him in this connection and leaves nothing undone to enforce

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the law according to his conscience. He is also deeply interested in the raising of fine horses and has won premiums at many state fairs, being awarded the second prize, in the saddle class, at the Columbus Fair.

On the 23d of February, 1909, Mr. Taylor married Miss Emily Balbach, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Balbach of this city, and they have become the parents of two children: Marie, who was born in 1911 and is attending the Jefferson school; and John H., born in 1916 and also a public school student.

Mr. Taylor is a member of the Art Museum Association, the Lucas County Protective Association and the Young Men's Christian Association and through his connection with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce he does everything possible to promote the welfare and prosperity of his city. He is a member of the Toledo Riding Club and is also identified with Kern Post of the American Legion, while his fraternal connections are with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Loyal Order of Moose. Devotion to duty has ever been one of his outstanding characteristics and he is discharging the duties of his office in such a manner as to win the high encomiums of the general public. He is loyal to all those interests which make for honorable manhood and progressive citizenship and is recognized as a man of strict integrity, whom neither fear nor favor can swerve from the course which he believes to be right.

WILLIAM CLIFTON CARR

Banking institutions are the heart of the commercial body and indicate the healthfulness of trade and there is no institution which has done more to maintain stable conditions and contribute to the general development and progress along the lines of business in Toledo and northwestern Ohio, than the Second National Bank, of which William Clifton Carr is the vice president. He is a banker of thorough training, wide experience and of progressive spirit and aim and his labors have indeed resulted beneficially to Toledo along this and other lines as well.

William Clifton Carr is a native son of the city. He was born August 18, 1873, the only son of Spencer D. and Martha Louise (Richards) Carr. The family has long been prominently known in banking circles here—the father was the dean of Toledo bankers and chairman of the board of directors of The Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank, at the time of his death in 1922.

William C. Carr completed his preliminary education by graduation from the Toledo high school with the class of 1892 and in the following October made his initial step in the business world as a messenger boy in the Second National Bank. Throughout the intervening period, covering three decades, he has remained in the bank, steadily working his way upward from a humble position to one of executive control. On the 10th of January, 1905, he was advanced from the position of assistant cashier to that of cashier and later he became the first vice president, in which connection he has continued. His labors have been an element in the steady growth and expansion of the bank, which is capitalized for a million dollars and has a surplus of double that amount, while its total resources exceed fifteen million dollars. He is treasurer of the Holland Bread Company, also of the Fifty Associates Company. His name is likewise on the directorate lists of the Toledo Steel Castings Company, Toledo Steel Tube Company, The Gasser Coffee

Company, The Blade Printing and Paper Company, and of the Allen Manufacturing Company, of which he is the president. For two and a half years he served as president of the Business Men's Club, following its organization and later he became a prominent member and influential worker in its successor, the Toledo Commerce Club. He is also a member of the board of education and was its president for two years.

On the 18th of July, 1899, at Bowling Green, Ohio, Mr. Carr was married to Miss Cora Elizabeth Crim, a daughter of the Rev. J. M. Crim and a granddaughter of the Rev. Jacob Biddle, who was one of the first circuit riders of Ohio, riding from town to town on horseback, carrying the message of the gospel into the frontier districts of the state. Mr. and Mrs. Carr have become parents of six children: Robert Spencer, Richard Clarence, William Paul, Elizabeth, Rachel and Louise.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Presbyterian denomination and for a number of years Mr. Carr has been one of the elders of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church. His political endorcement has always been given to the republican party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. Fraternally he is a member of Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and is a Noble of Zenobia Temple, Mystic Shrine. He is a prominent member of the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. He is typically American in his standards of life and thought, in his activities and in his appreciation of true democracy, and at all times he is a splendid example of the highest type of American citizenship.

WILLIAM AUGUST LAY

William August Lay, one of the best known men in Toledo, in the baking trade, has devoted practically his entire life to this line of business. At different periods he has carried on business independently, but is now identified with the Tri-State Baking Company. He was born in Baden, Germany, February 8, 1869, and is a son of Christian Lay, of whom mention is made in connection with the sketch of Gustave Lay on another page of this work.

In his native country William A. Lay attended the public schools to the age of fourteen years, when he bade adieu to friends and native country and came with his parents to the new world. Here he continued his education in the grade schools of Toledo and also attended the night sessions of the Davis Business College, thus becoming well qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. In the meantime, however, he entered upon an apprenticeship to the baker's trade under Henry Birkenhauer, an east side baker, with whom he continued for three years after completing his apprenticeship. In 1887 he joined his brother, Gustave Lay, who had previously established a bakery, and with him was associated in the further conduct of the business from 1887 until 1903. In that year he opened a bakery of his own at Maumee, Ohio, but on account of illness in his family he had to sell his interests there and return to Toledo. Here he became associated with the United Baking Company, of which he was a member of the board of directors for six years, and remained with it until 1912, when that company sold out to the General Baking Company. With the latter corporation Mr. Lay was sales manager from the time of its organization until December, 1922. Since

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severing his connection with the General Baking Company, Mr. Lay has been connected with the Tri-State Baking Company. There is no phase of the baking business with which he is not thoroughly familiar.

Mr. Lay has been married twice. On the 21st of May, 1896, he wedded Mary Berger, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reinhart F. Berger, well known in Toledo. Mrs. Lay passed away in this city September 23, 1909, leaving five children: Edward H., the eldest, born in Toledo, March 12, 1898, was educated in the public schools here and married Miss Edna Bollman of Columbus, Ohio, by whom he has one child, Mildred. They make their home in Columbus, Ohio. During the World war Edward H. Lay enlisted and served first in the Quartermaster Department at Camp Taylor, later with the Motor Corps and afterward was a member of the navy; Reinhart A., the second son, was born in Toledo in 1902; Selma was born in 1904; and the twins, Milton and Melvin, were born July 21, 1907. They have all been pupils in the Toledo schools. On the 29th of August, 1913, in Detroit, Michigan, Mr. Lay was again married, his second union being with Miss Mary Hofflin, daughter of Jacob Hofflin. Mrs. Lay was born in Asia Minor, where her father conducted a grist mill. There is one child of this marriage, Lucille, born in Toledo, December 25, 1920.

In exercising his right of franchise Mr. Lay endorses republican principles and loyally holds to the teachings of the party. Fraternally he is an Odd Fellow, belonging to both the subordinate lodge and the encampment and he also has membership in the Goodfellowship Club of Toledo and in the Reformed church. In 1895 Mr. Lay made a European trip, visiting the principal countries of Europe. He rode a bicycle over ground that was later the scenes of many of the great battles of the World war. Whatever success he has achieved is attributable entirely to his own labors. As a boy he started to work for his board and during his first six weeks received no other compensation for his services. Later he was paid fifty cents per week, which was his wage until he had learned his trade. Steadily and persistently he has advanced by reason of his capability and untiring industry and he has long been widely known in connection with the baking trade in northwestern Ohio. Mr. Lay's residence is at No. 2469 Vermont avenue.

HORACE S. WALBRIDGE

It is frequently difficult to discriminate among the individual factors in a city's growth and upbuilding. The difficulty is not present in considering the career of the late Horace S. Walbridge. He had a few peers and associates, but in the third of a century from the early '50s until the late '80s there was none whose position was of more unqualified prominence and whose interests and resources touched and vitalized more of the business, industrial, civic and philanthropic institutions, not only of Toledo, which for so many years represented his home city, but of the entire Maumee valley. A great deal of the important history of this section of the country is reflected in his personal biography.

Into a lifetime of less than sixty-five years Horace S. Walbridge crowded manifold activities. He was born July 21, 1828, in Syracuse, New York, and died at his home in Toledo, January 31, 1893. For several years before his death he had been closing up his affairs and withdrawing from many enterprises which had felt the stimulus of his judgment and management, and it will serve to indicate somewhat

his prominence as a business man to note the institutions with which he was still officially identified when death took him away. He was at that time vice president of the Toledo Gas Light and Coke Company; president of the Western Electric Light and Power Company; president of the Woodlawn Cemetery Association; a director of the Superior Consolidated Land Company in Superior, Wisconsin; and in a public way was a member of the board of elections.

He came of substantial stock, being a son of Chester and Mary (Walbridge) Walbridge. In 1831, when he was three years of age, the family moved from New York state to Columbus, Ohio. Chester Walbridge there became a member of the firm of Bond & Walbridge, merchants. Two years later, in 1833, he moved his family to the town of Toledo. His family then consisted of his wife and three sons, Hiram, Horace S. and Heman D. At Toledo the father became identified with real estate interests.

The year of their arrival at Toledo, Horace S. Walbridge had just about reached school age. School facilities were very limited and meager at that time, and the late Mr. Walbridge never boasted of a liberal education, though he had learned the fundamentals in the Toledo schools and had that great endowment of natural ability which enabled him to acquire a liberal education by his own experience. When only twelve years of age he became a clerk for Stephen Marsh, who was then one of the pioneer merchants of the town. Later he was with Charles G. McKnight in a similar service for eighteen months. Then, at the age of fourteen, he went to Palmyra, Michigan, as clerk in the store of Walter A. Titus & Company. During the winter of 1845-46 he superintended the construction of a sawmill at Ottawa Lake, Michigan. This sawmill was designed largely for sawing material for the track of the old Erie and Kalamazoo Railroad. In the spring of 1846 young Walbridge, then eighteen years of age, invested in a stock of straw hats, made by the French people at the Bay Settlement in Monroe county, Michigan, and took them to Cincinnati to dispose of them.

Soon afterward he entered upon a new phase of his career which brought him into active touch with the great commission business of the middle west and also the transportation, banking and industrial affairs in and around Toledo. At Toledo he became an employe of Thomas Watkins, who was then doing a forwarding and commission business. Partly as a result of the Irish potato famine in 1846-47 there followed a year or so of enormous speculation in grain, and during that eager and bustling time young Walbridge was bearer of special market news to the agent of the house at Adrian, Michigan. On horseback he made the trip of thirty-three miles in four hours.

In August, 1852, Mr. Watkins passed away, and Mr. Walbridge, then twenty-four years of age, took charge of the business of P. Buckingham & Company of Toledo. The following winter he traveled extensively along the route of the old Wabash and Erie canal, and invested an aggregate of about one million, five hundred thousand dollars chiefly in breadstuffs and hog products. He was thus the medium for distribution of an immense sum of money for those days, and it is said that one-half of the currency was forwarded by mail from eastern banks without the record of a single loss. Mr. Walbridge's ability and energy were then rated at a salary of one thousand dollars per year, which was a very generous amount for that time.

At the end of the year he became a member of the firm, and continued as such until the business closed, February 1, 1857. It was succeeded by the commission house of Brown, Walbridge & King. Here were three names then and later con-

spicuous in Toledo commerce. His partners were the late Matthew Brown and Frank J. King. Another reorganization occurred later when the firm became Brown, Walbridge & Company and still later H. S. Walbridge & Company, the other partner being Ebenezer Walbridge. This firm continued until the spring of 1868. It was from the beginning one of the strongest and most successful commission houses in Toledo, and its sterling reputation was recognized in all the important centers of the middle west.

In 1865 the house of Walbridge, Watkins & Company was established at Chicago, and was maintained there until the senior member withdrew from the grain and commission trade at Toledo in order to direct his attention to other matters, including real estate.

In 1869 Mr. Walbridge was appointed one of the trustees under the Ferguson bill in the construction by the city of Toledo of the Toledo & Woodville Railroad. He was subsequently president of the board five years, while the line was being constructed. For at least twenty years Mr. Walbridge was prominent as a Toledo banker. He was president of the Northwestern Savings Bank during its existence, was one of the first directors of the organization of the Second and of the Northern National banks, and remained on the board of each institution for some time. He was one of three Toledo citizens who, with seven other associates, brought about the construction of the Columbus & Toledo Railroad. He was also one of the five whose action was chiefly responsible for the Detroit & Toledo connection with the Canada Southern Railway.

Some of Toledo's most important early industries grew and flourished largely because Mr. Walbridge supplied capital and because of his judgment as a manager. In 1868, with Matthew Shoemaker, he took part in establishing the Union Manufacturing Company, which for a number of years was one of the most prosperous enterprises of the city. He was a large stockholder and was manager of the Maumee Rolling Mill, which was commenced in 1882 and completed and put in operation in November, 1884. About the time the plant was opened there occurred an extreme depression in the iron trade, and the mill was suspended, and the plant burned April 9, 1887. It was rebuilt, largely of iron construction, and was operated with natural gas as fuel from the recently opened gas fields. In February, 1888, it started operations, giving employment to five hundred men. These two were not all of the enterprises to which Mr. Walbridge gave his attention.

For many years he was interested in Toledo real estate and owned and handled many important sections of city property. It was chiefly through his efforts that the Woodlawn Cemetery was provided.

He could not be considered a politician, though some offices came to him, but his best service was rendered as a business man, and in those quasi-public positions which carry heavy responsibility but practically no remuneration and are not the prizes of politics. He was a republican from the time the party was organized. For several years he was a member of the Toledo city council, and as already stated, he was on the board of elections at the time of his death. He was president of the Lincoln Club of Toledo in 1864 and of the Grant Club in 1868. In 1879 he was a republican candidate for the state senate, and though running more than one thousand votes ahead of his party ticket in Lucas county, he was unable to overcome the normal democratic majority in his district. He positively declined to become a candidate for congress in 1880, though his nomination would probably have been equivalent to election.

After all his busy career as a merchant, banker, railroad builder, industrial

leader, he never neglected those interests which were always an intimate part of his life and character, church, home and every moral institution. The definite details of this phase of his life can only be spoken of in general terms. He would have been the last to permit a specific record of his benevolences. It is known that he was almost constantly searching out the worthy poor, but the individuals benefited were often unaware of the source whence came their aid. He was one of the founders of the Trinity Protestant Episcopal church of Toledo and for over thirty years was a vestryman. He gave generously of his means for the upbuilding of the church and for other churches, since he was not rigidly sectarian. As an officer and liberal supporter, he was prominent in the organization and maintenance of the Protestant Orphans' Home, the Home for Friendless Women and the Protestant Hospital. He was president of the Toledo Society for the Suppression of Vice.

If the features of his career have been mentioned with due proportion and discrimination, it is evident that the late Mr. Walbridge was a man of absolute democratic simplicity and a fine type of the American business man of the past century. He was, in fact, very quiet and unassuming in demeanor, and in many ways exemplified that old classic ideal, "fortiter in ré, suaviter in modo"—"Strongly in deed, gently in manner." He took life as he found it, but was always ready to work for the amelioration of evil conditions, and he was always animated by an optimism and a belief that the world was getting better. Those who remember his many acts of kindness and love recall that his benevolence was especially prominent along about the Christmas season of the year.

On October 18, 1854, Horace S. Walbridge married Miss Isabella D. Watkins of New Bedford, Massachusetts. Mrs. Walbridge was born May 13, 1831, in Westport, Massachusetts, a daughter of Thomas W. and Mary (Davis) Watkins. Mrs. Walbridge came to Toledo as a bride, and for almost forty years she and her husband traveled life's journey together. She was an active member of the Trinity Episcopal church and one of its most devoted communicants. She passed away at her home in Toledo, December 17, 1909. Mr. and Mrs. Walbridge were the parents of five children, three of whom are still living: Thomas H. is the oldest; Mrs. N. Grace Secor is the wife of Arthur J. Secor of Toledo; and Mary D. is the wife of E. W. Newton of Los Angeles, California.

HENRY F. HORN

Henry F. Horn, a member of one of the pioneer families of Toledo, is numbered among the leading hardware merchants of the city and his present success is the result of intense application, ceaseless watchfulness of opportunity, self-confidence and a readiness to assume responsibility. He was born in this city July 27, 1875, a son of Henry and Adeline (Ruch) Horn, both of whom were of European birth and emigrated to the United States in the early '60s. They established their home in Toledo, where the father engaged in various lines of business, remaining a resident of the city until the time of his death. The mother has also passed away. In their family were five children: Dr. F. J. Horn of London, England; J. H. Horn, a resident of Los Angeles, California; and Mrs. Martin Johnson, Mrs. William Sanzenbacher and Henry F. Horn, all of whom are living in Toledo.

Henry F. Horn acquired his education in the public schools of this city and

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on starting out in life for himself he secured employment in the Toledo Bolt Works. Shortly afterward he entered the hardware establishment of W. T. Hoffman & Company as a clerk, starting with a small salary. He performed each duty to the best of his ability and as time passed his faithfulness and experience won him promotion to more important and more lucrative positions. He remained with that firm for eight years, during which period he acquired a thorough knowledge of the business, and resigned to become manager of the F. G. Gemple Hardware Company of this city. In 1911 he purchased the business of W. T. Hoffman & Company, which he has since conducted under the style of the Horn Hardware Company, and his is one of the best establishments of the kind in Toldeo. He carries a large stock of high grade hardware and owing to his progressive methods and honorable dealing has won a large share of the public patronage in this line.

On the 20th of February, 1908, Mr. Horn was united in marriage to Miss Orpha Ford Bennett of Lima, Ohio, daughter of John O. and Ella Asenath (Ford) Bennett, both of whom were natives of Vermont and descendents of old New England families. Mr. and Mrs. Horn have four children: Francis Horn, who was born in 1908; Maybelle Elizabeth, whose birth occurred in 1910; Eleanor Jane, born in 1915; and Robert Lawrence, born in 1918. Previous to her marriage Mrs. Horn studied elocution under Elizabeth Mansfield Irving. She is prominent in club circles, being a member of the Toledo Colony of New England Women, of which she has served as president, and she is also a member of the Woman's Educational Club.

Mr. Horn is a member of the Park Congregational church of Toledo and in politics he maintains an independent attitude, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations. His fraternal connections are with the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a self-made man who has fought and won in the great battle of life and Toledo is proud to claim him as one of her native sons. Mr. Horn's residence is at No. 123 Amherst drive.

DERBY RIDLON SMITH

The presidency of the Smith-Kirk Candy Company is held by Derby Ridlon Smith, who is most efficient in directing the activities of the corporation. It is true that he entered upon a business already established, but in controlling and enlarging this many a man of less resolute spirit or of more restricted business vision and insight would have failed. He has proven adequate to the demands made upon him and in association with his brothers is conducting the business along the lines of constantly increasing success and profit. Mr. Smith is a native son of Ohio, his birth having occurred in Cincinnati, August 8, 1884, his parents being Jerome H. and Helen (Ridlon) Smith, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this work.

Derby Ridlon Smith has been a resident of Toledo from the age of seven years and is indebted to the public school system of the city for the early educational opportunities which he enjoyed. He became a high school pupil and later received thorough training in the Culver Military Academy of Indiana, which he attended from 1901 until 1904. When he had put aside his textbooks, returning to his home, he joined his father in the candy business, being then a young man of twenty years.

In this he was associated with his father until the latter's death, when he was elected to the presidency of the company and has since remained at the head of the business, bending his energies to administrative direction and executive control. His long experience under his father's supervision had brought him intimate and accurate knowledge of the business and the points necessary to the attainment of success in its management. His judgment in trade relations is sound and discriminating and his enterprise has brought substantial results.

Mr. Smith has been married twice. He first wedded Emma Allison of Indianapolis and they became the parents of two sons: Allison Derby, born in February, 1912; and Jerome Henry (II), born in June, 1913. For his second wife Mr. Smith married Miss Frances Russell of Toledo, whom he wedded on the 25th of December, 1915. The various membership connections of Mr. Smith show the breadth and scope of his interests and activities. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is now the first vice president, and he also has membership in the Exchange Club, of which he was formerly president. In the Young Men's Christian Association he is serving as a trustee and the Masonic fraternity numbers him among its faithful followers. He has membership in the Inverness and Toledo clubs and he is fond of golf and fishing. Those who know him—and he has a wide acquaintance—speak of him in terms of high regard. His capability has constantly unfolded and expanded and he has not only proved adequate to the task of developing an important business interest but also at the same time has fully met all of the duties and obligations of citizenship, nor has he been unappreciative of the social amenities of life and of his responsibilities toward his fellowmen.

HENRY C. LEE

Henry C. Lee, a representative business man of Toledo, is at the head of one of the largest moving and storage houses in the city and represents a family which for nearly a half century has been closely and prominently identified with the commercial development and upbuilding of this section of the state. He was born in Waterville, Lucas county, Ohio, June 28, 1865, and his parents were William and Anna (Wiers) Lee, the former a native of England and the latter of Pennsylvania. In 1837, when but a year old, the father was brought to the United States by his parents, who settled at Archbold, Ohio, where he was reared and educated. Following his marriage, which occurred at Toledo, he removed with his bride to Whitehouse, Lucas county, and there devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits until 1874, when he returned to this city. He became one of the successful business men of the city, selling meat to both the wholesale and retail trades, and his demise occurred in Toledo in 1909. The mother passed away in February, 1918. They had a family of four children: Henry C.; Mrs. Lucy Ann Spray of Waldron, Michigan; Mano L., whose home is in Toledo; and Mrs. Cora Thornton, a resident of Perrysburg, Ohio.

The public schools of Waterville and Toledo afforded Henry C. Lee his educational opportunities and on starting out in the business world he secured employment with A. B. Cole of this city, with whom he remained for five years. Subsequently he was in the service of various firms until 1894, when he embarked in business on his own account, organizing what is now known as the H. C. Lee & Sons

MANO R. LEE

ROSS L. LEE

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EDWARD H. LEE

SELWYN D. LEE

Moving & Storage Company, of which he is the president, the other officers being: M. R. Lee, vice president; E. H. Lee, secretary; and H. C. Lee, treasurer. Mr. Lee was obliged to start the business on borrowed capital and from a small nucleus he has developed one of the largest undertakings of the kind in the city, now utilizing ten motor vans and trucks. He has one of the largest and most modern storage houses in Toledo and displays keen sagacity and marked executive force in the management of his interests, being ably assisted by his sons, who are alert and enterprising young business men.

At Perrysburg, Ohio, on the 5th of April, 1887, Mr. Lee was married to Miss Addie Ann Yount, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Yount of Haskins, Ohio, and they have become the parents of four sons, all of whom are natives of Toledo: Mano R. Lee, the eldest, was born October 14, 1888, and acquired his education in the public schools of this city. He was married December 24, 1908, to Miss Elizabeth M. Nuendorff, a daughter of William C. Nuendorff of Toledo, and they have a son, Robert E., who was born in 1909 and is a public school pupil. Mr. Lee is identified with the Masonic order; Ross L. Lee, the next of the family, was born August 4, 1890, and on the 1st of February, 1909, he wedded Miss Bertha Hoyer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoyer of Toledo, and two children have been born to them, Le Roy, whose birth occurred in 1910, and Ruth, born in 1916. Mr. Lee is a member of the National Union; Edward H. Lee, the third son of Henry C. Lee was born August 24, 1893, and married Miss Eva M. Pontious, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Pontious of this city. They were married January 29, 1912, and have two children, Carmen, born May 25, 1914, and Phyllis Jane, born November 13, 1919. Mr. Lee is a member of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to the lodge and chapter; Selwyn D., born September 25, 1895, is a veteran of the World war. He enlisted as a private of the Eighty-fourth Ohio Regiment, which was attached to the Three Hundred and Twenty-seventh Heavy Artillery, and was sent overseas, being stationed for six months in France. On the 1st of November, 1919, he was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Ruetter of this city.

That Mr. Lee is public-spirited and progressive in matters of citizenship is indicated by his connection with the Toledo and Dorr Street Chambers of Commerce and he is also a member of the National Union, while in politics he maintains an independent attitude, supporting the candidate whom he regards as best qualified for office, regardless of party ties. In his business career he has demonstrated what it is possible to accomplish through untiring effort, when guided by intelligence and sound judgment. Resolute and energetic, he has steadily advanced, and in winning success he has at the same time gained the respect and goodwill of those with whom he has been associated.

A. GIDEON SPIEKER

A. Gideon Spieker, one of the three sons who succeeded to the extensive contracting business of their father, Henry J. Spieker, mentioned elsewhere in this work, was born in Toledo, April 6, 1891, and pursued his education in the Lutheran parochial schools and in the ward and high schools. He also spent two years as a student in Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, as a member of the class of 1913. With his return to Toledo he became associated with his father in business and thoroughly acquainted himself with every phase of the trade. He is now the

secretary and treasurer of the Henry J. Spieker Company, contractors and builders, doing a mammoth business and fully sustaining the reputation that has always been associated with the family name in connection with building operations in this city.

On the 1st of August, 1912, A. Gideon Spieker was united in marriage to Miss Angela McDonough of Toledo and they have become parents of one child, Suzanne Louise. Mr. Spieker is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is also prominently known in club circles of the city, belonging to the Kiwanis Club, the Toledo Club, the Transportation Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club, in the membership of which he is widely and favorably known, his social qualities having made for popularity among his many friends.

IRVING BEECHAM HIETT

Irving B. Hiett, founder, and president of the Irving B. Hiett Company since its organization, is one of Toledo's foremost realtors, whose career of more than forty years in real estate circles in this city, has been a contributing factor to Toledo's growth and development. He was born in Maumee, Ohio, October 8, 1862, a son of John W. and Mary E. (Beecham) Hiett. The family is of English lineage and was established on the American continent over two hundred years ago, settlement being made originally in the Shenandoah valley of Virginia. That representatives of the family were strong in their endorsement of law, order and good government is indicated in the fact that they were among the organizers of the first anti-whisky and anti-slavery societies of the Old Dominion.

George and Lydia Hiett, grandparents of Irving B. Hiett, were Quaker people, who removed from Virginia to Ohio during the early boyhood of their son, John W. Hiett, who was born in Jefferson county, Virginia, November 11, 1834, and who accompanied his parents when they became residents of Seneca county, this state. There he was reared in the midst of what was then a frontier district, with limited educational opportunities but learning many valuable lessons from nature and in the school of experience. He was a youth of fifteen when the family returned to Virginia and there he had the opportunity of attending the Jefferson Academy, from which he was graduated and then became a teacher. In 1851 he returned to Ohio as a student in Oberlin College and was afterward superintendent of the public schools in Fremont, Sandusky county, where he organized the graded school system. Later he was a student and teacher in the Normal department of the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware and afterward served for ten years as one of the trustees of that institution. In 1860 he established the Elm Grove Normal School at Maumee, which became the Central Ohio Conference Seminary. Ill health caused his removal to Toledo in 1864 and he became one of the owners of the Toledo Commercial, while at the same time he was actively interested in various other business activities, becoming widely known as a real estate dealer. His keen interest in the public welfare along other lines was also manifest. He was for many years a member of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, served as a teacher in the Sunday school and was active in all branches of the church work. He was married August 3, 1858, to Mary E. Beecham, who was born in Plymouth, Ohio, January 14, 1835, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Beecham, who were

among the early English settlers of this state. Like her husband, Mrs. Hiett shared actively in the work of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church and for several years she directed the work of the Maternity Hospital and the Flower Home for Girls, and was a director of the Adams Street Mission. She also took helpful part in promoting the interests of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, thus doing much good along benevolent and humanitarian lines, as well as carefully rearing her family, three of whom survived her, namely: Irving B., Oliver N. and Ella F. Hiett.

Irving B. Hiett was but a child when his parents came to Toledo, where he received his education, graduating from the old Central high school with the class of 1880. Among his early business connections, was that of employe of The Blade Printing and Paper Company, where he began as an office boy, later became stock clerk and subsequently cashier. His father was then in the real estate business and from him Irving B. Hiett acquired his first practical experience in that line.

On October 1, 1883, he began that business for himself and opened an office in the Boody House on St. Clair street. Mr. Hiett at that time was about twenty-one years old, yet his business venture was a success from the start. In 1906 the business, which was then known as Irving B. Hiett & Company, was removed to the street floor of the Nicholas building on Madison avenue, where it has remained.

The Irving B. Hiett Company was organized and incorporated in 1907, with a capital stock of two hundred thousand dollars, for the purpose of handling real estate, insurance and rentals, and the company confines its operations entirely to Toledo. While it handles all kinds of property, a considerable volume of business is done in high class business realty. More than sixty subdivisions have been handled by this firm, including a number of the city's most attractive residential additions, and the construction of more than six thousand homes represent still further its contribution to Toledo's growth. When the Wabash Railroad Company planned to connect its line with the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad, by building the Toledo Central Station Railway, Mr. Hiett's company was commissioned to secure the right of way. This was a tremendous task, but successfully performed and fully ninety per cent of the negotiations were handled through it. Among other operations Mr. Hiett opened up a large amount of up-river property.

Personally and with his friends he has figured in many of the most important real estate transactions in Toledo during the past thirty-five years. In 1888 he owned personally the fee on which now stands the Nicholas building, also that now occupied by the Toledo Railway and Light Company. Mr. Hiett's long experience in the real estate circles, has given him a wonderful information on realty values wherein his judgment probably carries as much significance as that of any man in Toledo. He possesses, apparently, the even balance of those qualities necessary for the successful real estate man—judgment, foresight, intelligent courage and ability to analyze conditions correctly.

Extensive and important as have been the real estate operations of the Irving B. Hiett Company, it also owns and controls various other commercial interests, including the business conducted under the name of the Erie Paint & Paper Company and the Swan Creek Lumber & Supply Company. Mr. Hiett is president of the Investors Realty Company, the Realty Trust Company, the Monroe Building Company, the Reserve Building Company, the Buckeye Realty Company, the Combined Realty Company and the Allied Realty Company. No man in Toledo has been more active than Mr. Hiett in those organizations and reforms that have had to do with placing real estate business on the high plane it now occupies and the

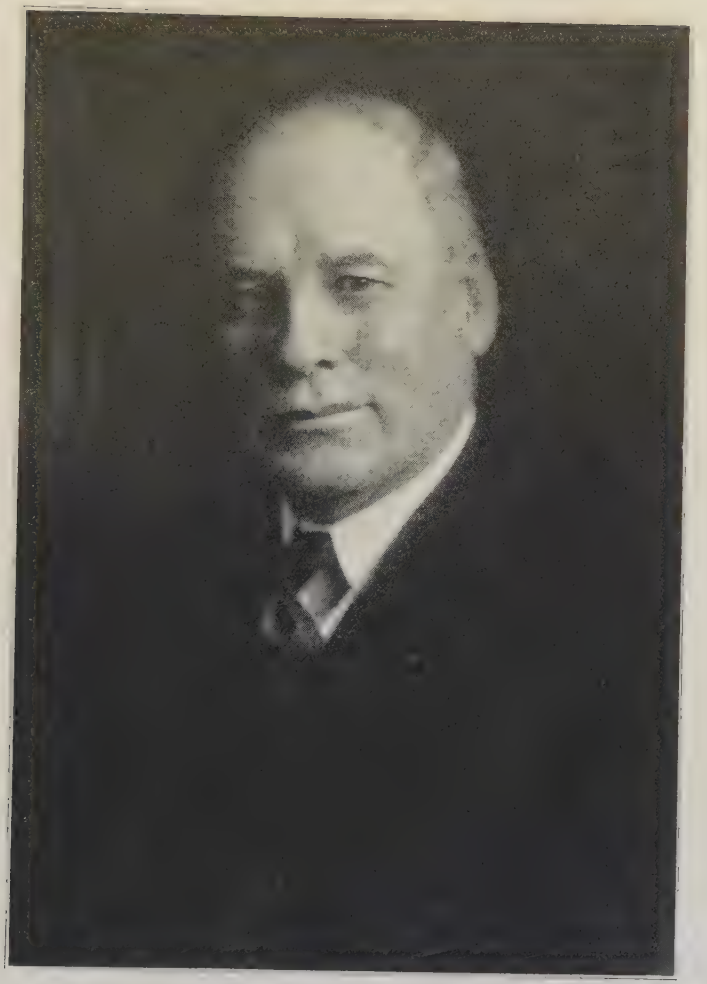
practices of no realtor in the city have done more to dignify the business. He was one of the organizers of the Toledo Real Estate Board, of which he became first president; he served as president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards from July 1, 1921, to July 1, 1922; and is a member of the Ohio Association of Real Estate Exchanges. In 1921 Mr. Hiett was appointed by Secretary Hoover of The Department of Commerce, as a member of the advisory committee on zoning. He is a member of the American Construction Council and is also serving as chairman of the committee from the National Association of Real Estate Boards that is co-operating with the United States government departments, covering all the real estate transactions of the government. He was the vice president of the old Chamber of Commerce, which was succeeded by the present Commerce Club, and he became one of the five charter members of the Rotary Club. He is also a member of the Toledo Club and the Country Club. His activities have thus reached out along many lines and while being rewarded by individual gain, have also contributed in a large measure to the progress, development, and upbuilding of the city and the maintenance of high civic standards.

Mr. Hiett was married December 8, 1886, to Miss Gertrude Boake of Toledo, who was born in Lebanon, this state. They have two sons living and a daughter that is deceased: Donald F. was educated at Asheville Preparatory School and Cornell University. He is now associated with his father in business. Nellie G. was educated at Ogontz College of Pennsylvania, and Miss Finch's School in New York. She married L. G. Reynolds, and left a son, Irving Hiett Reynolds, at the time of her death in 1920; Irving B., Jr., is a student at Hotchkiss. The family attend the First Congregational church and Mr. Hiett turns to golf for recreation.

ALFRED W. SHIELDS

Through more than three decades Alfred W. Shields has been a member of the Ohio bar and since 1910 has practiced in Toledo, confining his attention to corporation law. His thorough preparation and his clear and cogent presentation of a cause have been salient elements in the attainment of his present-day success. He comes to Ohio from the Old Dominion, his birth having occurred in Cartersville, Virginia, April 3, 1871, his parents being Dr. Thomas P. and Elizabeth J. (Ford) Shields. He was quite young when his parents left Virginia to become residents of Ohio and he was reared in Union county, where he pursued his early education in the public schools. He afterward attended Central College and in preparation for a professional career entered the Washington and Lee University at Lexington, Virginia, there qualifying for the bar. In 1891 the LL. B. degree was conferred upon him and in the following year he was admitted to the Ohio bar at Columbus, where he located for practice and continued to follow his profession until 1910. He then came to Toledo and through the intervening period of thirteen years has devoted his attention successfully to law practice here, his clientele continually increasing, and the court records now bear testimony to many favorable verdicts which he has won. He has gained an enviable reputation as a corporation attorney and his capability is shown in the successful manner in which he handles his cases. He belongs to the Franklin County and the Ohio State Bar associations.

On the 1st of December, 1903, Mr. Shields was married to Almeda H. Houstle of Columbus, Ohio. He is a Mason, connected with Toledo Lodge, No. 144, F.



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& A. M.; Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; Toledo Commandery, No. 7, K. T.; Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Toledo; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Toledo, Ohio. Mr. Shields is also identified with the Knights of Pythias and the Anthony Wayne Chapter, Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. He belongs to the Maumee River Yacht Club, an association that indicates largely the nature of his recreation. He is an earnest supporter of the Chamber of Commerce and its public-spirited purposes and his religious faith is indicated in his membership in the Episcopal church.

CLARENCE A. BERGER, M. D.

Dr. Clarence A. Berger is a self-made man whose professional career has been marked by continuous advancement and in medical circles of Toledo he has gained an enviable reputation as an obstetrician. He was born in Manchester, Michigan, May 6, 1879, and is a son of H. K. and Elthea (Lake) Berger, the former also a native of the Wolverine state and the latter of New England. Representatives of the Lake family settled in Connecticut in pioneer times and in girlhood the mother went to Michigan, in which state her marriage occurred. For many years the father has engaged in the trucking and transfer business at Manchester, which numbers him among its foremost citizens, and success has attended his efforts. Of the two children born to Mr. and Mrs. Berger one died in 1906.

Clarence A. Berger attended the grammar and high schools of his native town and after completing his course he devoted two years to teaching. He then began the study of pharmacy and for some time was connected with the drug business, which led to his interest in medical science. Having saved a sum sufficient to cover the expenses of his professional training, he entered the Toledo College of Medicine and was graduated in 1903. From 1903 until 1905 he was connected with St. Mary's Hospital at Evansville, Indiana, and then returned to Toledo, where he followed his profession until 1909, when he went to the eastern metropolis. For a term of service he was a member of the medical staff of the New York Lying-In Hospital. Returning to Toledo, he has since concentrated his attention upon cases of that nature, in the treatment of which he has been very successful, having made a thorough study of this branch of the profession. He has built up a large practice and is also a member of the medical staff of Mercy Hospital of Toledo.

Dr. Berger was one of the first physicians in Toledo to offer his aid to his country during the World war, and was called to active duty in April, 1917, on the day the United States entered the conflict. He was commissioned a lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the navy and was promoted lieutenant commander on the 1st of July, 1918. He made twelve trips overseas and was also on coast guard duty, serving on the Massachusetts, while later he was transferred to the naval hospital at Newport, Rhode Island. He was next sent to the Rockefeller Institute for special training for transport service and was made senior medical officer of the United States Transport Zeelandia, on which he served until relieved from duty on the 31st of October, 1919.

Dr. Berger was married November 23, 1904, to Miss Eugenia Ricard, a daughter of Oliver and Lucy Ricard, natives of Canada but now residing in Toledo. Dr. Berger is a Knights Templar Mason, a Shriner, and in the consistory has taken the thirty-second degree. He is a member of the Exchange Club and the

American Legion and his professional connections are with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is a man of marked strength of character and determined purpose, who has constructed his own success and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents. He has won a prominent position in his chosen field of activity and his marked ability and genuine personal worth have won for him the respect, admiration and esteem of his professional associates and also of the general public.

HUGO V. BUELOW

Since coming to Toledo, Hugo V. Buelow has thoroughly identified his interests with those of the city and as manager of the Terminal Auditorium he has brought to the residents of this community many notable attractions of great educational and cultural value. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, May 2, 1867, a son of Charles H. and Katherine (Winnai) Buelow, both of whom were of foreign birth. In 1848 they came to the United States, first establishing their home in Toledo, while later they removed to Detroit, where the father was connected with various lines of business. Both Mr. and Mrs. Buelow have passed away.

The public schools and the German-American Seminary of Detroit afforded Hugo V. Buelow his educational opportunities and after laying aside his textbooks he learned the trade of wood and stone carving in that city and in Grand Rapids, Michigan, continuing his connection with that work until 1897. He then turned his attention to the beet sugar industry, in which he was a pioneer, and aided in promoting one of the first factories of this kind in the state, the plant being located at Marine City. He did much to develop the beet sugar industry in Michigan, spending a large portion of his time in educating the farmers along that line, and for many years he was connected with the Marine City Factory. In 1911 Mr. Buelow came to Toledo, securing a long term lease of the Terminal Auditorium, which he has since successfully operated. He first put on an automobile show, adding other attractions from time to time, and in 1914 he opened the first farmers' exposition held in this building, operating it along land show lines. Its object is to furnish agriculturists with practical instruction in the raising of sugar beets and other products and the use of various types of machinery, many prominent lecturers being engaged for this purpose. The exposition found instant favor with the farmers of the Maumee valley and has become an established institution, proving of great benefit to the agriculturists of this part of the state, and Mr. Buelow is now making preparations for the Tenth Farmers' Exposition, which will be held in December, 1923. The Terminal Auditorium is a large hall well adapted for exhibition purposes and has housed many conventions and other public gatherings, among which may be mentioned the National Bowling Congress of recent date. It has been the means of bringing many visitors to Toledo and under the capable management of Mr. Buelow is proving a decided asset to the city.

Mr. Buelow has been married twice. In 1890 he wedded Miss Henrietta Soter, who passed away in 1912, leaving a son, Harold L., whose birth occurred in Detroit in 1892. He was educated in the public schools of that city and is now a resident of Toledo. He married Miss Olga Steinbrecher of Detroit, and they have a daugh-

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ter, Phyllis. For his second wife Hugo V. Buelow chose Mrs. Elma Westbrook, whom he married June 9, 1915, and her child, Beryl, lives with them.

In all matters of citizenship Mr. Buelow has ever been loyal, progressive and public-spirited and during the World war he acted as ward chairman of the Liberty Loan committee. He is an active and helpful member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Convention Bureau and is also connected with the Lions Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Riverside Boat Club, while fraternally he is identified with the Loyal Order of Moose, Elks and Eagles. Since his initial step was made in the business world his career has been marked by continuous advancement, for he has always made it a point to give his best efforts to every task which claims his attention. His labors have been directed along those lines which are factors in public progress and improvement and his life has been one of great activity and usefulness.

HON. ULYSSES GRANT DENMAN

Ulysses Grant Denman, one of the prominent lawyers of Ohio and for nearly thirty years a member of the Toledo bar, is senior member of the well known law firm of Denman, Kirkbride, Wilson & McCabe.

Ulysses Grant Denman is a representative of one of the pioneer families of northwestern Ohio and was born in Willshire, Van Wert county, this state, on the 24th of November, 1866, his parents being John and Eliza Jane (Dailey) Denman. The father was a native of New Jersey and came to Ohio as a young man. He served throughout the Civil war, later taking up his residence in Van Wert county, where he continued to reside to the time of his demise, which occurred in 1910, when he had reached the notable old age of ninety-two years. His wife, who was a native of Ohio, survived him for more than a decade, being eighty-eight years of age when she was called to her final rest, passing away at Willshire, Ohio, December 17, 1921.

Ulysses G. Denman completed the high school course in his native town with the class of 1885. He afterward became a student in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, and subsequently attended the Northern Indiana Normal School at Valparaiso, from which he was graduated in 1889. Turning to the profession of teaching, he successfully followed it for several years but always regarded this merely as an initial step to other professional labor, as it was his desire and purpose to become a lawyer. With this end in view he entered the law department of the University of Michigan and received his LL. B. degree with the class of 1894. The same year Mr. Denman was admitted to practice at the Ohio bar and opened a law office in Toledo. He has been very successful in his profession. A profound, astute and versatile lawyer, he enjoys an exceptionally high class clientele, which he has represented in some of the most important litigation that has come up before the courts of this city.

Mr. Denman is one of the most prominent republicans in northwestern Ohio and while he has held many public offices, nearly all of these have been along the strict path of his profession. He served as assistant city solicitor from 1900 until 1902 and then was called upon to act as one of the lawmakers of the state, being chosen to represent his district in the house of representatives. He was city solicitor of Toledo from 1903 until 1906 and in 1908 was elected attorney general of

Ohio to fill out an unexpired term. He was then reelected to the office in 1909 and continued to serve through the succeeding two years. In 1911 he was appointed United States district attorney for the northern district of Ohio and in these connections he has made a notable record of able and fearless service. He belongs to the Toledo Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association and is honored and respected by his colleagues as one of those who fully uphold the ethical standards and ideals of the profession. Among his business interests he is a director of the Buckeye National Fire Insurance Company and president of the Maumee Valley Mortgage Company.

On the 26th of December, 1889, Mr. Denman was united in marriage to Miss Frances May Neptune of Adams county, Indiana, a daughter of James I. Neptune of that county. They have one child, Agnes Neptune, who was born in Toledo on the 20th of June, 1903, and is attending the Toledo Conservatory of Music and Fine Arts.

Mr. Denman belongs to the Commerce Club, also to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. There is never any question as to his position upon any vital proposition, for his standpoint is never an equivocal one. He closely and thoroughly investigates any cause or interest with which he has to do and then stands firmly in support of what he believes to be right. His activities have been comprehensive in scope, far-reaching and beneficial in results.

WESLEY S. THURSTIN, Jr.

The name of Thurstin has long been associated with the law practice in Toledo through the active connection of father and son with the bar of this city. Wesley S. Thurstin, Jr., was here born on the 26th of June, 1877, and in his professional career had the stimulus of the splendid example of his father, Wesley S. Thurstin, Sr., whose career long reflected credit and honor upon the history of the legal profession in northwestern Ohio, where the family has been represented from pioneer times. The father was born in Wood county, this state, June 11, 1838, and prepared for law practice as a student in the University of Michigan, in which he completed his course just prior to the outbreak of the Civil war. With the bombardment of Fort Sumter he was one of the first to respond to the call for troops and became a member of the famous One Hundred and Eleventh Ohio Regiment commanded by General Isaac R. Sherwood, who originally was the first adjutant of the regiment and was succeeded in that position by Mr. Thurstin. It is said that the latter's military career was distinguished by courage, patience, endurance and readiness to accept any duty or danger. He participated with his command in all the battles between Chickamauga and Atlanta and later was in the battles of Nashville, Franklin, Fort Anderson, Goldsboro and Raleigh, winning advancement to the rank of captain of Company D. Later he wrote a most interesting history of the regiment, being selected for this task at the first meeting of the surviving members held in Perrysburg, Ohio, in 1878.

With his return from the war Captain Thurstin entered upon active practice of law and for almost a half century continued a distinguished member of the Ohio bar. He became a member of the firm of Bissell & Gorrill and he advanced steadily in his profession till he occupied a notable place in the foremost rank of

Ohio's attorneys. He was also active in connection with the public life of the city and served for a number of years as a member of the board of education and in other positions of public honor and trust. He belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic and to the Royal Arcanum and was actively and helpfully associated with all those organized efforts looking to the civic benefit of the city and to its moral and intellectual progress.

In 1867 Captain Thurstin was married to Miss Martha J. Gorrill of Perrysburg Ohio, who was of Scotch-Irish lineage on the one side and of English descent on the other. Her father came from Cornwall, England, in 1824 and established his home on the outskirts of Perrysburg in Wood county. English is also the predominant strain in the ancestral paternal line of W. S. Thurstin, Jr., for his ancestors came to the new world about 1630, settling in the Massachusetts Bay colony. The death of Captain Thurstin occurred in Toledo, July 22, 1910, while his wife survived until 1917. In their family were seven children, four of whom are still living: Wesley S.; Ethel, the wife of Cleveland F. Bacon of New York city; Alice; and Wilbur G., both of Toledo.

Wesley S. Thurstin, Jr., pursued a public school education in Toledo to the age of seventeen years, when in 1894 he entered commercial circles and was identified with merchandising until 1901. In the meantime, like his father, he had put aside all business cares and personal interests in response to the country's call for military aid and had joined the Tenth Ohio Regiment as a private for service in the Spanish-American war. Previous to this time he had had some military training as a member of the Naval Reserve. The regiment greatly rejoiced when one day the order came for them to proceed to the Philippines and there was not a member of the entire command that was not keenly disappointed when that order was countermanded the following day. When discharged Mr. Thurstin was serving as regimental color sergeant. It was natural that a young man of his alertness and devotion to all that stands for the public welfare should early become interested in politics, and in 1902, when but twenty-five years of age, he was made secretary of the Lucas county republican executive committee. It was not his purpose, however, to concentrate his efforts and attention upon the political game and the following year he became a student in the Ohio State University. Already he had done considerable law reading under the direction of his father and as a law student he completed his collegiate course, being admitted to the bar in the spring of 1904. He has been admitted to practice in all of the courts. He has tried all kinds of cases and tries them well. His ability has constantly increased through the exercise of effort and as the result of his continuous study of the fundamental principles of law. He always enters the court thoroughly prepared and he seems to lose sight of not a single point that will weaken the cause of his adversary or strengthen his own position, basing his every point upon the principle of jurisprudence applicable thereto. He was director of law for the city of Toledo in 1914-15. He has always given stanch support to the republican party and has long been a recognized leader in its ranks, whether in office or out of it. In 1906 he originated, conducted and defeated the proposed amendment to the Ohio constitution, providing for property classification.

On the 8th of September, 1904, Mr. Thurstin was married to Miss Ella E. Sullivan, a daughter of John E. and Ella Sullivan of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Thurstin have become parents of two children: John Gorrill and Wesley S. (III), both born in Toledo and now pupils in the public schools. Mr. Thurstin and his family are members of the First Congregational church. He is both a York and Scot-

tish Rite Mason, attaining the Knights Templar degree in the commandery and the thirty-third degree in the consistory and is a member of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He likewise belongs to the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and he has membership with the Spanish-American War veterans, the Toledo Commerce Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and along the strict path of his profession is identified with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. He represents an old and honored pioneer family of Ohio and like his forebears he has made his work of worth to the commonwealth, upholding the highest standards of citizenship and giving stalwart allegiance to all those activities which make for intellectual and moral progress.

JOHN B. HERRMANN

On the business record of Toledo through fifty-five years appears the name of John B. Herrmann, who throughout that time conducted a merchant tailoring establishment on Summit street. He was truly a self-made man and as the architect of his own fortune builded wisely and well, for he started out empty-handed, working his way upward steadily through determined purpose prompted by a commendable ambition, so that eventually success in substantial measure crowned his labors. Mr. Herrmann was born in Baden, Germany, December 6, 1836, his parents being Gabriel and Louisa (Kaiser) Herrmann. It was the intention of the parents to emigrate to America and just as they were perfecting their plans to make the start the father died of a broken blood vessel. Following his interment the mother brought her family of one son and two daughters to the new world, carrying out the previously formed plans. On their arrival she was robbed of their chest of goods, which she had brought with her, so that all the family had was what was on their backs. They went to Buffalo, New York, and John B. Herrmann, then thirteen years of age, learned the tailor's trade, their financial condition rendering it imperative that he immediately seek employment. He applied himself with thoroughness and earnestness to the mastery of the business and developed a high degree of skill and efficiency. In young manhood Mr. Herrmann, while still a resident of Buffalo, was united in marriage to Miss Mary C. Peters, who was born near Berlin, Germany. Soon afterward he brought his wife to Toledo, where they established their home about 1861. Not very long afterward Mr. Herrmann enlisted in the Home Guards, the Civil war being then in progress, and he became a member of Company F, One Hundred and Thirtieth Regiment, Ohio National Guard. On his return from military duty he opened a tailoring establishment on Summit street, in which location he remained until he retired from business in 1914. In the meantime his trade had steadily grown and his business expanded until it was one of very substantial proportions. He made clothes for all the prominent men of Toledo and there were many who were his patrons through almost the entire period of his connection with the business life of this city.

As the years passed five children were added to the household of Mr. and Mrs. Herrmann, these being: Leopold F., who is now engaged in the tailoring business in Toledo; Charles P., a shoe merchant of Oakland, California; John B., who is proprietor of a hardware store in Chicago; Louisa M., now the wife of William Northcott of Toledo; and Marie J., who is living at home.

In politics Mr. Herrmann was a stanch republican, giving unfaltering alle-

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giance to the party. He found his greatest happiness in the family circle and the memories of his wife and children are filled with recollections of his kindly deeds, his uniform courtesy and his deep interest in the welfare of the members of his household. He was a man of high integrity and of lofty principles, esteemed and respected by his fellowmen for what he accomplished and the course which he always pursued. The last six years of his life were spent in honorable retirement from business, with leisure to enjoy what he had earned. Death called him on the 25th of April, 1920.

HAROLD SHELDON REYNOLDS

For three generations the name of Reynolds has been closely interwoven with the financial history of Toledo. It has become a synonym for high standards of banking, for progressiveness in all that relates to financial affairs and for unsullied integrity in the conduct of all lines of business with which representatives of the name have been associated. It has been said that a man is fortunate who has back of him an ancestry honorable and distinguished and he is certainly happy if his lines of life are cast in harmony therewith. In person, in talents and in character Harold Sheldon Reynolds is a worthy scion of his race and the business interests instituted by his grandfather, ably carried on by his father, are being still further promoted through more youthful enterprise and zeal, while experience is adding to that sound judgment which must preface the wise and successful management of any undertaking. He is a grandson of Colonel Sheldon Clark Reynolds, one of the early bankers and pioneer grain men of Toledo, and a son of Frederick Jesse and Ida Louise (Stone) Reynolds mentioned elsewhere in this work.

Harold Sheldon Reynolds was born in Toledo, February 1, 1885, and in the acquirement of his education pursued his studies in the Toledo grammar and high schools, while later he enjoyed the advantage of training in St. Paul's School for Boys at Garden City, Long Island. He afterward continued his education in both the literary and law departments of the University of Michigan and then initiated his business experience in connection with the old firm of Reynolds Brothers, grain merchants, with which he was identified from 1905 until the firm passed out of existence in 1909, owing to the increasing importance of the financial interests with which his father and grandfather had become associated. It was in the latter year that Harold S. Reynolds entered the First National Bank and went through the various departments, and in 1912 he was selected to the directorate as the successor of his grandfather. In 1915 he was called to official position by being made vice president of the First National Bank of Toledo and continued in that position until 1923, when he was elected president, thus becoming the head of one of the oldest, most stable and most extensive banking institutions of the northwestern section of the state. It was founded in 1851 as a private bank and organized under the national banking act in 1863 that was passed in that year and is of almost unlimited resources with an unsurpassed reputation of stability and efficient service. The bank is capitalized for five hundred thousand dollars, has a surplus of a million dollars and undivided profits of a half million, while the total resources of the bank are more than twelve million dollars. Mr. Reynolds is one of the youngest men in the country at the head of an institution of the size of the First National Bank. While the interests of the First National claim the major part of the time and at-

tention of Harold S. Reynolds, he has also figured quite prominently in manufacturing and real estate circles and in connection with other business interests which figure in the commercial and industrial life of the city.

On the 3d of February, 1909, Mr. Reynolds was married to Miss Rachel Reed Ketcham of Toledo. Mrs. Reynolds is a granddaughter of Valentine H. Ketcham, who was prominent as a banker and merchant here from early times and the family has long been an honored and prominent one in connection with the social life of the city. Four children have been born of this marriage: Mary Virginia, Rachel Ketcham,(II); Harold Sheldon, Jr.; and Rosalie. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds attend the Trinity Episcopal church and he is identified with a number of the leading clubs of the city, including the Toledo, Toledo Country, Inverness, Carranor Hunt and Polo, Commerce, Toledo Automobile, and the Sylvania Golf and Castalia Trout clubs. He likewise belongs to the Bankers Club of New York and to the Psi Upsilon fraternity of Ann Arbor, Michigan. Unlike many of the sons of wealthy men he has not placed his dependence upon family position and prestige but after the manner of his forbears has earned his high position in business circles through capability and merit, making his name like that of his father and grandfather a synonym for forcefulness in the banking world and of initiative and enterprise in connection with still other business interests.

STEVE M. JOKEL

Steve M. Jokel, a member of one of the prominent families of Toledo, belongs to that class of men who owe their success to hard work, perseverance and ability and the consensus of public opinion names him with the foremost architects of the city. He was born in Toledo, on the 12th of December, 1888, and is a son of Stanislaus and Anna (Gracey) Jokel, who came to the United States in 1886, establishing their home in this city. The father at first engaged in the dry goods business but afterward disposed of his stock and he is now connected with the Prudential Insurance Company. Mr. and Mrs. Jokel have become the parents of six children, of whom four survive: Gertrude, Mrs. Clara La Sage, Leo and Steve M.

The last named attended the parochial schools of Toledo and afterward became a student at the Tri-State Business College. When fifteen years of age he became a wage earner, securing a clerical position in the wholesale notions establishment of L. S. Baumgardner & Company, and for two years remained in their employ. He next entered the office of Thomas Huber, an architect, and continued with him for seven years, acquiring a practical knowledge of the business during that period. He then spent a short time in the service of Thal & Aftel and afterward accepted a position with the firm of Mills, Rhines, Bellman & Nordhoff, prominent architects of Toledo. He received the greater part of his professional training through attendance at the night school of the John Huntington Architectural Society of Cleveland, Ohio, winning first prize in designing and also receiving medals as a reward for proficiency in his studies. He became supervising architect for the Cleveland Board of Education, acting in that capacity for one and a half years, and then returned to Toledo, where he has since followed his profession. On the 5th of April, 1919, he formed a partnership with Edward Thal, becoming junior member of the firm, and this relationship

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continued until March 1, 1923, when Mr. Jokel purchased Mr. Thal's interests and is conducting the business under the name of Steve M. Jokel. They are conducting a large business and many notable examples of their handiwork are to be seen in Toledo, the most imposing monuments to their skill being the Empire Theatre building, the Holmes & Landwehr building, the Commercial building and the building of the Save Electric Corporation, in addition to numerous residences and theatre buildings in and around the city and retail stores and furniture factories—in fact, he specializes in factories, township schools and suburban homes. The work of the firm is the manifestation of high and enduring art, exhibiting splendid adaptation to specific needs, combined with beauty of form and design, and has won the favorable attention of the general public and of those able to judge from technical and artistic standpoints. Mr. Jokel also has other business interests, being a director of the Bay Land Company and a stockholder in the Auburndale Savings & Loan Association of Toledo.

On the 7th of June, 1915, Mr. Jokel was married to Miss Edith Lillian Rupert of this city, and they have become the parents of three children, of whom the first born died in infancy. Two daughters survive: Joan Marie, who was born in 1921; and Katherine Louise, born July 30, 1922. Mr. Jokel is a member of the Maumee Bay Shore Commercial Club, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Gyro Club and the American Institute of Architects, and he exercises his right of franchise in support of the men and measures of the republican party. He is interested in all that tends to raise the standard of his profession and promote the efficiency of its representatives and has made his life count as a forceful factor in enhancing the beauty and attractiveness of Toledo. He has always been a zealous supporter of any measure conducive to the welfare of his city and his name is prominent among those whose enterprise and initiative typify the spirit of progress in Toledo.

LEWIS BALTZELL HALL

For over a quarter of a century Lewis Baltzell Hall has been identified with the Toledo bar and he has gained recognition as an able attorney and wise counselor, capable of handling important litigated interests. He was born in Tiffin, Seneca county, Ohio, July 16, 1870, and his parents were John A. and Mary S. (Stoner) Hall, the former also a native of Tiffin, while the latter was born in the state of Maryland. The paternal grandfather, Luther A. Hall, was a prominent attorney and he was largely instrumental in securing the extension of the Pennsylvania railroad through the state of Ohio. His son, John Hall, successfully engaged in the manufacture of building brick at Tiffin, Ohio, in which city his demise occurred, and the mother is also deceased. In their family were four children, of whom three survive: Mary E., who is still a resident of Tiffin; Mrs. Grace Rohrback, whose home is on Catalina island, California; and Lewis B.

In the acquirement of an education Lewis Baltzell Hall attended the grammar and high schools of his native city and afterward entered the Ohio Wesleyan University, from which he was graduated in 1892, with the A. B. degree. He then read law in the office of Judge George E. Seney of Tiffin, and in 1895 was admitted to practice. In February, 1896, he came to Toledo and for a short time was in the office of Judge Curtis L. Johnson, since which time he has practiced inde-

pendently, and in the intervening period his clientele has steadily increased as he has demonstrated his ability to cope with intricate legal problems. He specializes in commercial law and has an expert knowledge of this branch of jurisprudence.

On the 13th of October, 1911, Mr. Hall married Miss Emily M. Hassett, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hassett of this city. His political support is given to the republican party and his professional connections are with the Toledo and Ohio State Bar associations. He is also a member of the Inverness Club and is identified with the Shrine in Masonry. In a calling where advancement depends upon individual merit and ability Mr. Hall has gradually worked his way upward, his success coming to him because of his close reasoning, his clear and logical argument, his correct application of legal principles and his ability to present his contention in the strongest possible light.

HENRY P. DODGE

Henry P. Dodge, the president of The H. P. Dodge Engineering Company and the inventor of a number of electrical devices on which he has received patents, has in the course of an active business career risen to the heights of prominence and success in his chosen field. Born in Toledo on the 27th of December, 1871, he is a son of Frederick B. and Caroline (Perkins) Dodge, the latter a native of Newburyport, Massachusetts, while the former was born in Lyme, New Hampshire. They came to Toledo in 1861 and the father, who entered the educational field at an early age, became the principal of the first high school of this city. He gave strong impetus to the development of the school system and left the impress of his individuality and ability for all time upon the educational progress of the city. He later engaged in the practice of law and became one of Toledo's leading attorneys. His death occurred in 1893. His wife survived for a number of years, passing away in 1911. In their family were five children: Frederick H., mentioned elsewhere in this work; Georgiana W.; Mrs. Thomas H. Mills; Henry P.; and one who has passed away.

In the year 1889 Henry P. Dodge was graduated from the high school of Toledo and promoted his education by a course in the University of Michigan, in which he specialized in electrical engineering. He is numbered among the alumni of that institution of 1893 and with his return to his native city he entered the engineering department of the Toledo White Lime Company and since then has made steady progress in his business career, reaching a position of prominence as an electrical engineer and inventor, for he has given much time to experiments, working out his ideas, many of which have proven most effective, while his devices have gained United States patents. After a time he became manager of the Toledo White Lime Company and on leaving that position entered into active association with the engineering department of the Ohio Electric Car Company, which he organized and was its general manager until 1915. In 1915 he organized The H. P. Dodge Engineering Company, of which he is now the president and which he has developed to large proportions. This company is engaged in the manufacture of electric batteries for motor car service and battery acids. Among his most valuable inventions is the one known as the Dodge process for hydrating lime, which revolutionized the quicklime industry. Also, a storage battery plate manufactured by a new process, which it is claimed not only improves the life of the plate, but lessens the initial

cost; patents on the process being pending at the present time.' Various other patents he has been granted on electrical devices which are now in general use. In addition to his electrical engineering business he is a director of the Walding, Kinnan & Marvin Company, wholesale druggists.

On the 25th of September, 1896, Mr. Dodge was married to Miss Gertrude Marvin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marvin of Toledo, the former one of the partners in the wholesale drug concern conducted under the name of the Walding Kinnan & Marvin Company. Mr. and Mrs. Dodge are parents of two children: Mrs. Carleton M. Baumgardner, whose husband is engaged in the wholesale dry goods and notions business; and Henry Marvin, now attending school.

Politically Mr. Dodge is a republican, manifesting a citizen's interest in all questions of moment yet never seeking nor desiring office as a reward for party fealty. He is prominently known in club circles, having membership in the Toledo, Toledo Yacht, Toledo Commerce, Maumee River Yacht, Toledo Tennis and Toledo Country clubs. His interest in the cultural development of the community is manifest in his connection with the Art Institute and his efforts to further the moral progress of the community find tangible expression in his membership in the Congregational church. He is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

COLONEL SHELDON CLARK REYNOLDS

In the death of Colonel Sheldon C. Reynolds, on November 22, 1912, Toledo lost a citizen who in a peculiarly effective way combined both faith and works. He was never a public man in the sense of being an officeholder, though his career brought to Toledo a far-reaching and substantial benefit. Colonel Reynolds had vision. But his ideals were constructive, and when it came to carrying out his plans and purposes he was one of the most practical of men. A great many years ago he became identified with the flour-milling and grain business. He selected Toledo as the scene of his operations. From the first he linked his own fortunes with that of the rising city on the southern shores of Lake Erie. It was his distinction to become the first great grain merchant in the city. More than any other individual factor he made Toledo one of the chief grain ports around the Great Lakes. His career meant so much to Toledo that it is only necessary to present the facts of his career to indicate his prominence.

Sheldon Clark Reynolds was born in Essex county, New York, November 29, 1835, and was nearly seventy-eight years of age when death called him. He was the youngest son among the ten children of Jesse and Sarah (Sheldon) Reynolds. His father was born in Dutchess county, New York, September 15, 1793, and served as a soldier during the second war with Great Britain, better known as the War of 1812. By occupation he was a farmer, and a thrifty, substantial New York citizen. His death occurred December 10, 1853. Colonel Reynolds' mother was born September 6, 1794, and died July 20, 1851.

His early environment was that of a New York state farm. When fourteen years old he went to Bridgeport, Vermont, and spent the next two years in the home of his sister. At the age of sixteen he entered the employ of his brothers, W. R. and W. B. Reynolds, who were at that time engaged in a general dry goods business at Jackson, Michigan. With three years of experience there he

bought the interests of his brother, W. R., and for one year was a partner of the other brother, W. B. Reynolds. The second brother then transferred his interests to W. R. Reynolds and the firm of W. R .Reynolds and S. C. Reynolds continued a prosperous existence at Jackson for fourteen years, or until 1869.

The advent of the Reynolds brothers in Toledo, in 1869, was much more significant when considered from the present point of view than was realized at that time. On coming to the city the brothers bought the Armanda Flouring Mills, an industry that was soon in a prosperous condition, under the firm name of Reynolds Brothers. In 1872 W. B. Reynolds sold his interest to the other brothers and in 1875 the mill property was sold to other parties altogether.

At that time Colonel S. C. Reynolds entered the grain commission business. Associated with him was Charles L. Reynolds, his nephew, a son of W. R. Reynolds. Later Colonel Reynolds' son, Frederick J., and Mr. J. H. Bowman were added to the firm. The transactions of this firm for the year 1875 totaled two thousand carloads of grain. Ten years later, in 1885, this one firm handled eighty-five thousand carloads. That was a banner year and the records show that no other individual firm in the United States handled a larger amount of grain that year.

Some idea of Colonel Reynolds' progressiveness in making Toledo a grain port is found in the statement that he was the first grain merchant to bring carloads of wheat and other foodstuffs to Toledo, from west of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers. He built up a splendid and far-reaching industry, with connections all over the west, covering the great grain areas north and south, and he was in close touch with the market centers of the entire globe. It should be no exaggeration to attach to Colonel Reynolds the title of captain of industry. For forty-three years he was really and truly a leader in the big affairs that made the city of Toledo what it is. His operations naturally extended to a broad field. He was a banker and a dominating influence in the general industrial and commercial advancement of the city. He not only helped to lay the foundation but to rear the superstructure of much that is considered most enduring and permanent in the present fortunes of this lake port.

Up to the time of his death at advanced years, Colonel Reynolds maintained his position of influence in financial and commercial affairs. He held large interests in the city's most important banking institutions, and his work as a founder, promoter and director could hardly be described within the space of a few pages. He was at one time the largest stockholder in the First National Bank, also was a large stockholder in the Second National Bank and Toledo Savings Bank & Trust Company, and was interested in various other financial institutions. He was a member and the largest stockholder in the Produce Exchange, and among the first to start the movement which brought about the erection of the Produce Exchange building on Madison street. For more than twenty years, up to a month before his death, he was a director of the Wabash Railroad Company. He served in a similar capacity for the Hocking Valley Railway, the Wheeling & Lake Erie, the Kanawha & Wheeling & Lake Erie, and the Kanawha & Michigan railways. At the time of his death he was chairman of the board of directors of the First National Bank, which he had formerly served as president, and of which his son, Frederick J., is now chairman of the board of directors. For a number of years he was president of the Lake Erie Transportation Company, and the banner ship of that line bears his name, "The S. C. Reynolds."

Colonel Reynolds was survived by his widow, Mrs. Martha A. Reynolds, and one son, Frederick J. Colonel Reynolds and his wife had four children, three

of whom died in infancy. Though not a member, Colonel Reynolds was for more than thirty-five years a liberal supporter of Trinity Episcopal church. Perhaps his favorite form of recreation was sailing on the Great Lakes, and his beautiful steam yacht, "The Sigma," carries him to practically every port and harbor around the circuit of these inland waters.

CHARLES NORTH BELLMAN

Among the large commercial enterprises of which Toledo is justly proud, none confers greater prestige upon the city than that of the Franklin Printing & Engraving Company, of which Charles North Bellman is the vice president, general manager and founder. The trite quotation, "Great oaks from little acorns grow," is particularly applicable to this business, which had its inception some forty years ago, when an ambitious school boy persuaded his father to invest the sum of ten dollars for him in a small hand press and a font of type. With these as a beginning, the boy worked after school hours and in the evenings, and that this was more than a passing fad is shown in the fact that a year or two later a press operated by a water motor was installed in the family woodshed at No. 1138 Huron street, from which was finally evolved a printing establishment that ranks with the best in the country.

Charles North Bellman was born in this city on the 8th of December, 1864, and his parents were William H. and Charlotte (Meredith) Bellman, the former a native of the state of New York, while the latter was born in Ireland. In early life they came to the United States, locating in Toledo, and the father became prominently identified with business interests of the city as a member of the firm of Crabbs, Bellman & Company, wholesale dealers in grain and seeds. He continued to make his home in this city until his demise. The mother has also passed away. In their family were five children: William M., Charles North and Mrs. Charles S. Ashley, all of whom are residents of Toledo; Alfred D., who is living in Santa Barbara, California; and Lawrence S., a member of the firm of Mills, Rhines & Bellman, well known architects of Toledo.

The public schools of this city afforded Charles N. Bellman his educational advantages and in 1882 he completed his high school course, after which he engaged in the grain business with his father, with whom he was associated for four years. In the meantime he had learned the printer's trade, in which from childhood he had been deeply interested, and in 1887, in association with his brother, he opened a small plant on the second floor at No. 264 Summit street, over Birkencamp's undertaking rooms. Two years later the business was established at the corner of St. Clair and Oak streets, the present site of the Navarre Hotel, and the firm name was changed to the Bellman Brothers Company. They continued at that point for eight years, when another removal became necessary, and a store at No. 327 Superior street was leased. In 1895 the present style of the Franklin Printing & Engraving Company was adopted in honor of the illustrious and patriotic Franklin, the leading printer of his day and one of America's foremost men, and on the 30th of September, 1899, the business was incorporated. In 1898 the firm erected a building at No. 321 Superior street, which they continued to occupy until April 1, 1922, when they removed to their present location at Nos. 226-36 Huron street. This is a substantial modern structure four stories in height, containing between

sixty and seventy thousand square feet of floor space and is conceded to be one of the finest and most complete printing establishments to be found anywhere in the United States. The first floor is devoted to office supplies, stationery and pictures and the second floor is occupied with a large stock of office furniture, while it also contains the general offices. The composing room, pressroom and bindery are found on the third floor and the fourth floor is given over to steel die and copper plate engraving. The large basement has ample storage space for surplus stock for all departments and also houses the picture framing department. Since its inception the business has grown steadily, keeping pace with the development of the city, and from one hundred to one hundred and twenty-five people are now employed in its operation. The success of the undertaking is largely attributable to the capable management and untiring efforts of Mr. Bellman, who is vice president and general manager of the company, and he is endeavoring to give to Toledo a printing establishment of which, were Benjamin Franklin alive today, he would feel justly proud.

On the 27th of October, 1886, Mr. Bellman was married to Miss Kate Foley, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foley of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Bellman have a daughter, Marguerite, who attended the Smead school of Toledo. She is now the wife of Lucius J. Sears of this city, and they have three children, Lucius Jackson, Jr., Kate Bellman and Henry B. Sears.

Mr. Bellman is a member of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and his high standing in the line of work in which he specializes is indicated in the fact that he has twice served as president of the National Association of Stationers & Manufacturers of the United States of America. He is identified with the Masonic fraternity and is also a member of the Toledo Yacht Club, the Inverness Club, the Rotary Club, the Toledo Commerce Club and the Toledo Club, being a director of the last named organization. Mr. Bellman is a self-made man who has been both the architect and builder of his fortunes and he exemplifies in his life the spirit of enterprise and progress which has been the dominant factor in Toledo's upbuilding and development. His entire life has been devoted to the printing business, in which he has attained that position of leadership which follows superior ability and concentrated effort, and he is a native son whose record reflects credit and honor upon the city. His residence is at No. 2230 Fulton street.

THOMAS ALFRED WADE

Thomas Alfred Wade, vice president of the B. F. Wade & Sons Company, printers and binders of Toledo, was born in Mansfield, Ohio, June 25, 1871, his parents being Benjamin F. and Margaret Jane (Tate) Wade. In the attainment of his education he attended the public schools of his native city and afterward became a student in Notre Dame University at South Bend, Indiana. He subsequently spent three years as an architect and then devoted four years to the government service in his professional capacity. On the expiration of that period he joined his father in conducting business under the name of the B. F. Wade Company, while later the present style of the B. F. Wade & Sons Company was assumed. Thomas A. Wade became the vice president of this corporation and has since served in this connection. The name of Wade has long been synonymous with the highest standards of business practice.

THOMAS A. WADE

In October, 1896, Mr. Wade was married to Miss Catherine Franklin of Washington, D. C., and they are parents of three children: Benjamin F., Alice Rebecca and Margaret Jane.

Mr. Wade is a member of the Lions Club and he also belongs to the Sylvania Golf Club, and is popular among his fellow members of these societies. His genial disposition and his social qualities have gained for him many friends.

THOMAS BENTLEY

For more than fifty years members of the Bentley family have figured conspicuously in business circles of Toledo as building contractors and on all sides are seen evidences of their skill and handiwork, three-fourths of the prominent buildings in the city having been erected by The A. Bentley & Sons Company, of which Thomas Bentley is the president.

Thomas Bentley was born in Toledo, November 23, 1873, and his parents were Anderton and Elizabeth (Horner) Bentley, the former a native of Bradford, England. When a young man Anderton Bentley came to the United States, first locating at Adrian, Michigan. In 1872 he arrived in Toledo, where he established his permanent residence, entering commercial life as a contractor and builder. He was one of the pioneers in this field and at first conducted his interests under the style of A. Bentley, then as A. Bentley & Son, and later as A. Bentley & Sons, while since 1907 the business has been operated under the title of The A. Bentley & Sons Company. His progressive spirit, combined with his executive ability and comprehensive knowledge of the business, placed him in a position of leadership and as the years passed the enterprise steadily developed and the firm name became well known throughout the middle west. Anderton Bentley became recognized as one of the foremost business men of Toledo and his demise on the 23d of September, 1916, deprived the city of one of its chief upbuilders and promoters. He was seventy-two years of age at the time of his death, his birth having occurred on the 22d day of April, 1845, and the mother passed away in this city in 1912, also at the age of seventy-two years. They were the parents of three children: Ethel, James and Thomas, all of whom are living in Toledo.

After completing his grammar school course Thomas Bentley spent one year as a high school student and then served a three years' apprenticeship to the plumber's trade under John A. Waite, but abandoned that line of activity in 1894 to enter the contracting business with his father, with whom he was associated until the latter's death. In 1907 the business was incorporated as The A. Bentley & Sons Company and Thomas Bentley has since served as its president, the other officers being James Bentley, vice president; L. S. Hillebrand, secretary and treasurer; and R. B. Daudt, chief engineer. Thomas Bentley also has other important business interests, being a director of the Richardson Company, investment bankers of this city; the Toledo Steel Products Company; the Second Mortgage Company of Toledo; the Commonwealth Building Company of this city, owners and builders of the Secor Hotel. His interests are varied and important and he is characterized by his ability to think in large terms.

During the more than half a century of its existence the firm of which Mr. Bentley is the head has not merely kept abreast of the times, but has been well in advance of them and these years have witnessed more progress in building con-

struction than was shown in the entire century which preceded them. In 1883, when A. Bentley undertook the rebuilding of the Hall block at the corner of St. Clair street and Jefferson avenue, the word "skyscraper" was unknown and buildings of steel and tile construction had not been dreamed of. The Hall building, five stories in height after it was rebuilt, was regarded as almost the last work in business blocks. A little more than twenty-five years later the steel workers of this same firm could look down from the twenty-first story of the Second National Bank building, then being erected, and see the Hall block as merely a low, flat-roofed structure with scarcely an outer characteristic in keeping with present-day ideas. The main shops of the company are located at the intersection of Thirteenth street and the Clover Leaf Railway and in the busiest season of the year it employs from four to five thousand workmen, in addition to its large force of shop employes. Here are located the machines that are used in fabricating the steel rods employed in concrete work, a process specially devised by the firm, and the special machinery utilized in making and repairing the tools and appliances needed in construction work. Jobbing and painting departments are maintained and in the engineering and estimating departments from six to eight men are constantly at work, the company being prepared to initiate work and carry it through all of its successive stages. The firm is especially skilled in concrete work, one of its most notable examples of this type of construction being the plant of the General Electric Company at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, the building being one hundred feet wide, eight hundred feet long and four stories in height. Three handsome concrete structures erected by the company in Toledo are the Secor Hotel at Superior street and Jefferson avenue, the Thompson-Hudson Company's building at Summit and Adams streets, and the Bostwick-Braun building at Summit and Monroe streets, eight stories in height. The firm also erected the Second National Bank building, which has twenty-one stories, is two hundred and eighty-seven feet in height and is one of the most imposing edifices in Toledo. In addition to its extensive operations in Toledo, the concern has been entrusted with the erection of many notable structures in the central and eastern states, and besides its main offices in this city, it also maintains a permanent office at Jacksonville, Florida, from which it directs its work in the southern portion of the United States. In 1917 the Bentley Company was selected by the United States government to build at Chillicothe, Ohio, one of the large national cantonments at that time so urgently needed to house the troops who had been drafted for service in the World war. Thomas Bentley devotes his entire time to work within the city, while James Bentley is in charge of all outside operations. As the executive head of the business Mr. Bentley displays the same enterprising spirit and administrative powers which characterized its founder, greatly enlarging the scope of its operations, and the business is not only a source of individual profit, but has also been of incalculable value to the city, contributing in a notable degree to its improvement and upbuilding.

At Defiance, Ohio, on the 30th of November, 1898, Mr. Bentley was married to Miss Katherine Lewis, a daughter of E. N. and Abigail Lewis of that city, and two sons have been born of this union: Anderton Lewis, who was born December 10, 1900, and acquired his education in a private school and in Yale University; and James Edmond, who was born March 18, 1906, and is now attending a private school at Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

When national issues are at stake Mr. Bentley gives his political support to the republican party, but at local elections he votes for the candidate whom he deems best qualified for office without regard to party ties. He is a director of the

Associated General Contractors of America and a trustee of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He is an Elk and a thirty-second degree Mason, and is also connected with the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Country Club. No detail of his business is too unimportant to receive his attention, and he is a dynamic force in the field in which his activities are centered.

CHARLES A. SEIDERS

Charles A. Seiders, one of the best known members of the Toledo bar, whose successful practice, extending through more than forty years, has been marked by an observance of the highest ideals and standards of his profession, was born June 1, 1857, in the village of East Texas, near Allentown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, where his ancestors had lived for many generations. In April, 1866, his parents moved to the village of Flat Rock, Seneca county, Ohio, and after two years moved to a farm in Adams township, that county, and five years later to another farm in the same township.

While but a boy Charles A. Seiders began to take a great interest in reading, which he indulged by such books as he could borrow from the neighbors and teachers, and soon subscribed to young folk's inexpensive magazines and weekly papers. His first subscription to a weekly was to the Cincinnati Weekly Times, the first copy received by him containing an account of the Chicago fire, which copy he still retains. In moving to the second farm he came into a neighborhood where great interest was taken in books and education. To procure these Mr. Seiders had to rely on his own efforts, his father being financially unable to help him, and not having the fortune of good health he was unable to graduate from college. Having made up his mind at the age of sixteen to become a lawyer, he commenced reading for that profession in the fall of 1878, but, having to work his own way, his studies were often broken into, and he was not admitted until March, 1882, when he passed the examination of the Ohio supreme court. In the meantime, and as a means of livelihood, he had in July, 1879, established and edited the Greenspring Times in the village of Greenspring, Ohio, and the two starved and struggled along together for eight months, when they parted company.

In April, 1883, Mr. Seiders began the practice of the law in Paulding, Ohio, the county seat of Paulding county, which was then just being developed, up to that time having been largely covered by a dense growth of timber. A few years later he became the attorney for the New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company for that county. The general offices of that company being at Cleveland, and Paulding county being hard to get at, General Williamson, then general counsel, entrusted all of the work to Mr. Seiders, and for twenty-five years he performed it, having continued to do so after his removal to Toledo and after Hon. John H. Clarke, late associate justice of the United States supreme court, had become general counsel. In the meantime there was soon added a large general practice which extended into other and surrounding counties. In the fall of 1888 he also became the local counsel for the Cincinnati, Jackson & Mackinac Railway Company, and continued to represent that company until his removal to Toledo. On November 15, 1897, he went into the office of Doyle & Lewis, Toledo, Ohio, and remained with that firm until January 1, 1902, when he went into practice for himself. He is

and has been for over twenty years an attorney for the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway Company.

While reading law with Lutes & Lutes at Tiffin, Ohio, a firm composed of Nelson B. Lutes and his wife, Nettie Cronise Lutes, Mr. Seiders met Miss Edith Sams, who was then practicing law in partnership with Miss Florence Cronise, a sister of Mrs. Lutes. Mr. Seiders and Miss Sams were married on May 1, 1883, at Tiffin, Ohio, and about a month after Mr. Seiders had commenced practicing law at Paulding. Miss Sams was admitted to the bar of Ohio in December, 1881, and was the first woman admitted to practice in that state by the supreme court.

Miss Sams was the fourth child of Alexander Brannen and Marianna Stuart Sams, both of English birth, her mother being a lineal descendant of the royal house of Stuart of Scotland. Mr. Isaac Sams, the grandfather of Mrs. Seiders, came to this country from England in 1824 and established Rock Hill Academy at Ellicott City, Maryland. In 1834 he removed to New York city and there reopened his school, but in 1835, his health having become impaired by overwork, he acquired one thousand acres of land adjoining the town of Hillsboro, Highland county, Ohio, and in that year removed thither with his family. After the recovery of his health he became the head of a boys' school at that place and continued so for a number of years. He took a great interest in education and everything pertaining thereto, and was during the remainder of his life a member of the board of county examiners. He opened a library and reading room at Hillsboro, was the means of establishing teachers' associations and educational publications, and in many ways, by his culture and energy lifted educational standards in southern Ohio. Being Episcopalians Mr. (Isaac) Sams and his two sons (the uncle and father of Mrs. Seiders) took a leading part in organizing an Episcopal church in Hillsboro, and, in 1853, in the erection of the beautiful Episcopal church at that place. The memorial window placed in the church to commemorate the names of the founders contains the names of the grandfather, uncle and father of Mrs. Seiders, together with five others. Her grandfather was senior warden from the time of the establishment of the church until his death on December 1, 1878, while her father was secretary of the vestry from the time of its establishment until his removal to Tiffin in 1869.

Mr. Alexander Brannen Sams, father of Mrs. Seiders, was educated in New York city as a pharmacist, and lived there until 1848, when he, too, came to Ohio, where he met Miss Stuart, who, with her mother, was then making a tour of this country, and they were married shortly after. They lived at Hillsboro, a part of the time on his father's farm and a part of the time engaged in the hardware business and also as collector of internal revenue, until 1869, when he purchased a drug store at Tiffin, Ohio, and removed there, where he died in 1893, having survived his wife eight years. Both of the parents of Mrs. Seiders were not only well educated but liberally so.

After their children were of school age Mrs. Seiders joined with her husband in the practice of law at Paulding, Ohio, under the firm name of Seiders & Seiders, and so continued until December, 1896, when Mr. A. M. Waters was associated with them under the firm name of Seiders, Seiders & Waters, and when, in November, 1897, Mr. Seiders removed to Toledo, Mrs. Seiders and Mr. Waters continued the business at Paulding until December, 1898, when the family removed to Toledo. She did not resume the practice in Toledo. While living at Paulding she was elected a member of the board of education and served the full term of three years, being also elected clerk throughout her whole term.

Aside from holding the office of village solicitor for one term at Paulding, during

the first years of his practice, and being a member of the board of education at Toledo from March 5, 1906, to June 15, 1908, at which time he resigned, and during the greater part of which period he was president of the board, Mr. Seiders has neither held nor sought political office. His only diversion has been the study of history, on which subject he has accumulated a library larger than any other private historical library in the city of his residence.

After removing to Toledo, Mr. and Mrs. Seiders became identified with the Unitarian church, Mr. Seiders being for nearly fourteen years a member of the board of trustees of the First Unitarian church of that city and, for nearly all of that period, its president. He is a member of the Toledo Club, Toledo Commerce Club, Toledo Automobile Club, Toledo Museum of Art, the American Historical Association and the Maumee Valley Pioneer and Historical Association. Mrs. Seiders is a member of the Toledo Women's Association and the Women's Educational Club.

They have two children living: Marian D., who married Dr. W. Frank Maxwell, and has a son, Gregory W., born July 25, 1917, in Toledo; and Seth, who is in the advertising business at Chicago and who is married and has a daughter, Mary Elizabeth, born April 10, 1910. Mr. Seiders' residence is at No. 1632 Wildwood road.

CHARLES S. NORTHUP

Charles S. Northup of the law firm of Tyler, Northup, McMahon & Smith, with large and important practice at the Toledo bar, was born in Lexington, Michigan, November 12, 1868, his parents being Dr. Myron and Annie Adelaide (Herson) Northup, who were natives of Steuben county, New York, and of Ontario, Canada, respectively. They became residents of Michigan after the Civil war. The father had served as assistant surgeon until 1863, when on account of illness he received an honorable discharge. He afterward engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery at Lexington, Michigan, and at Port Huron, that state, his last days being spent in the latter city, where he departed this life in 1904. He served as mayor of Port Huron, being elected by the largest vote ever given a candidate up to that time. He also was president of the local medical society of Port Huron for twenty years until his death. His widow survived him for seven years, her death occurring in Port Huron in 1911. They were the parents of a son and a daughter, the latter being Mrs. Lincoln Avery, now living in Port Huron.

Charles S. Northup was largely reared in Port Huron and after completing his studies in the public schools there, he entered the University of Michigan in order to pursue the study of law and received his LL. B. degree at his graduation with the class of 1889. He began practice in Port Huron, where he continued until 1896, when he removed to Toledo. Through the intervening period of twenty-seven years he has been very active in the profession here and is today a member of one of the strongest and best known law firms of the city.

He has been highly successful in his profession and is numbered among the ablest lawyers of the Toledo bar, where he has been connected with much important litigation. He has served as a member of the board of directors of the Toledo University, while in 1905 he was elected city solicitor and prior to that time served as assistant city solicitor, having been first called to the office in 1902. He has never lightly regarded a public duty but has discharged every obligation

with capability and fidelity and the worth of his work has been widely acknowledged in Toledo.

On the 27th of November, 1903, Mr. Northup was married to Miss Alice Delia Bachelder of Galion, Ohio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Bachelder. Mr. and Mrs. Northup have four children: Kathryn Marie, a junior in Wellesley College; John D.; Spencer; and Annette. These children were all born in Toledo.

Mr. Northup belongs to the Ohio State Bar Association and also to the Toledo Bar Association, of which he was president in 1908-9. His political endorsement has always been given to the republican party but he has never been exclusively partisan. He was the first chairman of the civil service commission here. Mr. Northup is a Mason and in club circles is well known, being a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He ranks with the foremost residents of the city by reason of his high standing as a lawyer, his loyalty and interest in public affairs and his possession of those qualities which make for high regard and strong friendship. Mr. Northup's residence is at No. 3248 Collingwood avenue.

GEORGE W. MILLARD

The name of Millard has figured in connection with the Toledo bar for fifty-five years, for George W. Millard of this review, has for twenty-eight years practiced in this city, while his father, Judge Irwin I. Millard, became a representative of the legal profession in Toledo in 1867. Since that date the name has ever been a synonym for the highest standards of professional service and the closest observance of professional ethics. Judge Irwin I. Millard was born in Richland county, Ohio, December 9, 1838, and a life of intense and well-directed activity and service to his fellowmen was ended on the 24th of December, 1907, when he passed away in Toledo. He was of English lineage, his ancestry being traced back to Thomas Millard, who left Birmingham, England, in 1681 to become a resident of the new world. He made the voyage to America in one of the ships of the fleet that brought William Penn to this country and he was in the company which established Philadelphia, where the home of the Millards was maintained for several generations, Judge Millard being of the sixth generation in the new world. His grandparents were the Rev. Thomas and Hannah Millard, the former a Methodist preacher, who engaged in missionary work in the days of Ohio's early development and acquired a tract of government land in Crawford county, this state. He was an intimate friend of the distinguished Peter Cartwright. Rev. Thomas Millard and his wife were laid to rest on the portion of the ground which they took up from the government many years ago. The parents of Judge Millard were Joseph and Molly (Immel) Millard, the former a native of Chester county, Pennsylvania. He learned the miller's trade and for a number of years operated a flour mill at Lodi, Ohio, there remaining until his death in 1857. Both he and his wife were buried in Crawford county.

Judge Millard, the youngest of a family of three sons, spent his early youth in Wayne county, Ohio, and after leaving the public schools attended the Fredericksburg Academy between the ages of seventeen and twenty years, although teaching during a portion of each year. On the 11th of August, 1861, he responded to the country's call for further troops to aid in the preservation of

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the Union and joined Company I, of the Fifteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, serving under Colonel Moses Dickey with the army of the Ohio, being stationed much of the time at Bowling Green, Kentucky, until his never robust health succumbed to the hardships of war and by order of the regimental surgeon he was mustered out on account of physical disability in 1862. Though for a time his life was despaired of he afterward recuperated and resumed the profession of teaching at Weilersville, Ohio. He came to Toledo in 1863 and for a time was employed as clerk in the recorder's office and for one year was deputy recorder. He next became bookkeeper for Alonzo Goddard, consignee of the Erie Railroad line of steamboats and the Miami & Erie Canal line in Toledo. A desire, however, to become a member of the bar prompted him to take up law studies in the office of Bissell & Gorrill, attorneys of Toledo, with whom he remained until the spring of 1867, when he was admitted to the bar and at once formed a partnership with his former preceptors. He thereafter continued in the active practice of law until 1891 and for many years was regarded as a most distinguished figure at the Lucas county bar, being retained as counsel for the prosecution or defense in many of the most notable cases tried in the courts here. He soon gained a firm hold upon the respect and affectionate regard of his fellow townsmen by reason of his splendid personal characteristics and his ability as a lawyer, so that when he became a candidate for the office of probate judge in the fall of 1891 he was elected by a very large majority and was three times reelected, being continued in the office for twelve years. His entire service was truly satisfactory to the public and in this connection the Bar Association at the time of his death said: "Judge Millard as probate judge was always courteous and attentive and to those seeking advice or counsel with reference to estates or other matters in his court he was always kind and sympathetic and ready to advise. Not only was he an impartial and careful adviser, counsellor and friend, but as a judge required to pass on important controversies and questions of law and fact, he showed conspicuous ability. While on the bench he was called upon to decide many important matters of law involving new and close questions. His opinions in such and in fact, all cases calling for statement of reasons from the bench were models of judicial clearness and reasoning. It was very rare that any decision of Judge Millard was reversed. It is safe to say that no man in Lucas county ever retired from the probate bench more universally esteemed than Irwin I. Millard. The regard of this community for his memory was shown by the universal expression of sorrow at his death and the great outpouring of people at his funeral."

Judge Millard was married on the 12th of March, 1863, to Miss Mary Catherine Keller of Weilersville, Ohio, a daughter of George and Susannah (Meyers) Keller. She was born in Crawford county, Ohio, in September, 1843, and died June 25, 1894. Judge and Mrs. Millard were parents of seven children: Irwin G.; George W.; Edna G., the wife of John Ehni; Clara M.; Fred J.; Ralph B.; and Edith B., all residents of Toledo. The daughter, Clara M., became an attorney and was the first woman admitted to the bar in northwest Ohio. She held the position of deputy in the office of the probate judge for twenty years.

George W. Millard, the second son, whose name introduces this review, was born in Toledo, December 24, 1872. He studied law with the firm of King & Tracy of this city and was admitted to the bar in 1894. He entered upon the practice of his profession in which he has made steady progress during the nearly thirty years in which he has been a representative of the Toledo bar. In 1904

he became a partner of his father in active practice under the firm style of Millard & Millard, and so continued until 1907, when Judge Millard passed away. George W. Millard has since practiced independently and his career at the Toledo bar has been a most creditable record of achievement.

Mr. Millard is a member of the Knights of Pythias and also of the Commercial Club, while along the line of his profession his connection is with the Toledo and Ohio State Bar associations. A lifelong resident of this city he has always manifested a keen and helpful interest in everything pertaining to Toledo's growth and development and to the maintenance of its civic standards.

LEONARD C. PRICE

Leonard C. Price, secretary of the Toledo Real Estate Board, is widely and favorably known in this city, in which he has resided for many years, and his career has at all times marked him as a citizen of worth. A native of Canada, he was born in Erin, Wellington county, May 20, 1875, and his parents were William and Louise (Brown) Price, the former a native of Wales and the latter of Canada. In early life the father emigrated to Canada, establishing his home at Erin, where he resided until 1882, when he crossed the border into the United States and came with his family to Toledo. While living in Wellington county he became the owner of two well developed and highly cultivated farms but after coming to Toledo he abandoned active business pursuits, enjoying a well earned rest. Both Mr. and Mrs. Price have passed away. Their family numbered six children: Leonard C., Frampton and Dr. J. C. Price, all of whom are residing in Toledo; Robert N. Price of St. Thomas, Canada; and Mrs. S. F. Boville and Mrs. J. T. Copeland, who live at Battle Creek, Michigan.

Leonard C. Price acquired his education in the public schools of Plainwell, Illinois, and during his boyhood he worked for a year and a half at the Chicago Club in the metropolis of the middle west. For a time he was connected with the Toledo office of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and then turned his attention to the real estate business, entering the service of the Irving B. Hiett Company, with which he was associated for five years. He next became sales manager and secretary for George E. Pomeroy, resigning at the end of three years to accept the position of sales manager for the R. B. Witsey Company, and he remained with that firm for four years. He soon became recognized as an expert valuator and negotiated many important realty transfers. He has converted unsightly vacancies into beautiful residential districts and subdivided that portion of the city which is now known as Wildwood. After disposing of his business interests he was urged to become secretary of the Toledo Real Estate Board and for four years has filled this office for which his experience and ability well qualify him. The fact that he has been chosen for this responsible position indicates his high standing in real estate circles of the city and his course has been highly commended by members of the board. He also has other business interests, being secretary and one of the directors of the Lucas County Mortgage Company, secretary of the Realty Board Investment Company and a director of the Witsey Realty Company.

At Watford, in the province of Ontario, Canada, on the 11th of May, 1907, Mr. Price was united in marriage to Miss Maude Gree, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

William Gree, and they have three living children; Janet Maude, who was born in October, 1910, and is now attending school; Leonard Gree, who was born in 1915 and is also a public school pupil; and Evan Lloyd, born in August, 1918. A daughter, Esther Louise, died in 1918, when seven years of age.

Mr. Price is a member of Trinity Episcopal church and his political support is given to the men and measures of the republican party. In civic affairs he has ever taken a deep and helpful interest and during 1914 and 1915 he served as one of the park commissioners of Toledo under appointment of Mayor Carl Keller. He is a member of the Toledo and South Side Chambers of Commerce, the Real Estate Exchange and the National Realtors Secretaries Association. He is secretary and treasurer of the last named organization and is also a member and secretary of the Exchange Club. His business record has been marked by steady advancement and his success is entirely attributable to his own efforts. He is a most loyal supporter of his city because of his belief in its opportunities and his enthusiasm finds expression in effective work for its upbuilding and improvement.

FREDERICK JESSE REYNOLDS

Frederick Jesse Reynolds, chairman of the board of directors of the First National Bank of Toledo and closely identified with financial, railway and other corporate interests, was born in Jackson, Michigan, August 25, 1857, son of Colonel Sheldon C. and Martha A. Reynolds, a sketch of the father appearing elsewhere in this publication.

Frederick Jesse Reynolds, having attended the Toledo public schools, with later courses of study in business and collegiate institutions, became a clerk with the grain commission house of Reynolds Brothers and after five years was admitted to a partnership in the business, remaining in active connection therewith until the firm withdrew from the grain trade. He broadened the lines of his activities in harmony with his father's interests and investments and in 1887 became vice president and general manager of the Toledo & Michigan Belt Railway Company and was its chief managing executive until it was absorbed by the Michigan Central Railroad. His active connection with the First National Bank dates from 1897, when he was elected to the directorate and in 1898 was chosen vice president. In 1909 he succeeded Schuyler C. Schenck to the presidency, serving until 1923, when he became chairman of the board.

On the 4th of October, 1882, in New York city, Mr. Reynolds was married to Miss Ida Louise Stone, daughter of Benjamin Franklin and Sarah Jane (White) Stone. Mrs. Reynolds' death occurred in Pasadena, California, February 12, 1915, while with her husband and daughter she was sojourning on the Pacific coast. She had become the mother of four children: Harold Sheldon, mentioned elsewhere in this work; Natalie; Dorothy; and Kathryn. The daughters attended the Dobbs Ferry School for Girls in New York. Natalie became the wife of Roland A. Spitzer, who died May 20, 1916, leaving two children: Philip Adelbert and Frederick Reynolds Spitzer. Dorothy became the wife of Joseph W. Robinson; and Kathryn was married June 14, 1916, to Augustus Barrett Richardson.

Mr. Reynolds has membership in the Produce Exchange of New York, also in the Toledo Commerce Club and his appreciation of the social amenities of life is indicated in his identification with the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the

Middle Bass Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, also the Bankers' Club of New York city and the Ohio Society of New York. He is a Consistory Mason and in Trinity Episcopal church, in which he has long held membership, he is serving as a vestryman. Following in the footsteps of his honored father, he has long maintained high standards in connection with the financial and business development of Toledo and in support of all those forces which make for the upbuilding, progress and improvement of his city.

WALTER G. KIRKBRIDE

Walter G. Kirkbride, a partner of the well known law firm of Denman, Kirkbride, Wilson & McCabe, has practiced before the Toledo bar for more than twenty years. He was born at Parkers Landing, Pennsylvania, on the 13th of January, 1881, a son of Joseph A. and Annie B. (Loftus) Kirkbride. His parents removed to Findlay, Ohio, when he was a boy and in the schools of that city he received his early training, while his college course was pursued in the University of Michigan. He completed the law course in that institution and won his LL. B. degree in 1900. In 1902 he was admitted to the bar and since that time has been licensed to practice in the United States courts. His progress in his profession has been continuous and has brought him to a prominent position among the successful attorneys of the city, where the firm of Denman, Kirkbride, Wilson & McCabe is regarded as one of the strongest combinations at the Toledo bar.

On the 21st of June, 1904, Mr. Kirkbride was married to Miss Alice Harrop and they have become parents of three children: Alice, Esther and Mabel.

Fraternally Mr. Kirkbride is a Mason, having attained the Knights Templar degree in the York Rite and the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite, while with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. His political endorsement has always been given to the republican party and he closely studies the vital questions and issues of the day. Mr. Kirkbride belongs to the Toledo Club and to the Inverness Club, and he is also a member of the Toledo, the Ohio and the American Bar associations. He stands for all that is progressive in community affairs and at all times for the highest standards of American citizenship. His residence is at No. 2439 Scottwood avenue.

ORR B. BOVARD

One of the chief manufacturing enterprises of Toledo is that of the Pinkerton Tobacco Company, of which Orr B. Bovard is president and sales manager, and the fact that he has been selected for these important positions is proof of his enterprise and business acumen. He was born in Kittanning, Pennsylvania, September 22, 1866, and his parents, James C. and Mary (Orr) Bovard, were also natives of the Keystone state, in which they spent their lives. Mr. Bovard attended the grammar schools of his native town and the high schools of Allegheny and Pittsburgh and after starting out in life independently he became connected with manufacturing interests of Pittsburgh and later of New York city. In 1909 he came to Toledo and has since been identified with the Pinkerton Company, manu-

facturers of the Sunshine cigarettes and other high grade brands of tobacco, for which there is a large demand. This is one of the most important industries in Toledo, five hundred employes being utilized in the operation of their factory. Mr. Bovard is serving as president and sales manager, in which connection he has instituted many well devised plans for the extension of the business, and his intelligently directed efforts have materially promoted the success of the concern.

In 1900 Mr. Bovard was united in marriage to Miss Kate Pinkerton of Zanesville, Ohio, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pinkerton of that place, and they have become the parents of four children: Harriet, a native of DuBois, Pennsylvania; Katherine, who was born at Zanesville, and is attending Oberlin College; John W., a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, and a pupil at the James Franklin school of this city; and Robert Orr, who was born in Toledo and is also attending that school.

Through his connection with the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Bovard does all in his power to promote the welfare and prosperity of the city. He is also a member of the Toledo Club, while his political support is given to the men and measures of the republican party. In his business career he has held closely to the rules which govern strict integrity and unabating industry and he brings to his various duties in life a keen mind and a broad intelligence, which are the basis of his success.

ELLSWORTH M. BEARD

Ellsworth M. Beard, a member of the Toledo bar since 1890, his entire professional career being characterized by steady progress, was born in Morrow county, Ohio, February 17, 1862, his parents being Philander C. and Lucetta (Manville) Beard, both of whom were natives of Ohio and spent their lives in this state. The father at the time of his death was the oldest Toledo attorney and had been a distinguished representative of the Ohio bar for almost a half century. He was born in Morrow county, this state, March 4, 1829, his parents being Reuben and Eliza Beard, who on removing from the east settled in Ohio, just after the opening of the great Northwest Territory. They were representatives of the best type of American citizenship and while living the circumscribed life of the very early pioneer they still found time for mental improvement. Philander C. Beard spent his youthful days in the log cabins of that period and experienced all of the hardships and privations incident to frontier life. His parents gave him every opportunity possible, however, to attend the district schools and as the result of his perseverance and determination he worked his way steadily upward until he was qualified to teach. He then devoted several years to the profession in Morrow and surrounding counties and still ambitious for further educational training became a student in Oberlin College. When a year had passed he resumed the work of teaching, and becoming imbued with a desire to enter the legal profession he devoted his leisure hours while teaching to the study of law, so that he was admitted to the bar in 1852. In the meantime he had had some experience in the work of the courts, having been elected justice of the peace for Bennington township in 1850. For a number of years Mr. Beard continued in the active practice of law in Morrow, Knox and Delaware counties, there remaining until 1878,

when he came to Toledo and later with his son, Ellsworth M., organized the law firm of Beard & Beard.

It was but natural that a man of Philander C. Beard's early training and environment should become a lover of liberty and a stanch opponent of slavery. For many years in ante-bellum days he was one of the strong abolitionists of this part of the country and his home became one of the stations for the famous underground railroad whereby many a slave was assisted on his way to freedom and liberty in Canada. Mr. Beard was equally zealous in behalf of the temperance cause, realizing how many of the human race are practically slaves to the alcohol habit. He became a most earnest worker in the cause of temperance and did everything in his power to further the movement, making speeches against the liquor traffic throughout northwestern Ohio. He did this even at a time when it was extremely unpopular and had its effect upon law practice but as the spirit of temperance grew and developed his attitude upon the question brought to him the support of many in a professional way. His life was ever characterized by the principles of Christianity and he held membership in the Washington Street Congregational church from 1884 until his death, which occurred in 1910. He ever sought to follow the example of Him who came not to be ministered unto but to minister and his Christian example remains as an inspiration and a benediction to many who knew him.

In early manhood Philander C. Beard was united in marriage to Miss Lucetta Manville, who departed this life on January 28, 1914. They were the parents of eight children, two of whom have passed away, while those living are: Reuben A., a minister, who is now pastor of the First Congregational church of Fargo, North Dakota; Mrs. Loma McCune of Toledo; Vernon V., living in New York city; Charles, a resident of Pennsylvania; Roland A., located in Tulsa, Oklohoma; and Ellsworth M. Ellsworth M. Beard has membership in the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations, and merits in notable degree the respect and confidence of his colleagues and contemporaries.

On the 12th of July, 1892, Ellsworth M. Beard was married to Miss Lillian E. Donnelly, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Donnelly of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Beard have three living children: William E., who is in the purchasing department of The Toledo Chevrolet Company; Mrs. Dorothy Aiken; and Ruth, now a student in Scott high school. In politics Mr. Beard is a republican and he belongs to the National Union but his chief activity outside of his profession is in connection with the church. He belongs to the Washington Congregational church and was assistant superintendent of the Marion Lawrance Sunday school under Marion Lawrance for some twenty-five years.

WESLEY CHOATE THORNBURGH

Wesley Choate Thornburgh, a member of the well known bond house of Blanchett, Thornburgh & Vandersall, was born in Seneca county, Ohio, August 28, 1888, and is a son of Dr. Rollo W. and May (Seitz) Thornburgh. The father ranks with the leading physicians of the city and a more extended mention of him will be found elsewhere in this work.

Following his graduation from one of the high schools of this city in 1905, Mr. Thornburgh was employed along mercantile lines until January 1, 1911, when

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he joined the brokerage firm of Hoehler, Cummings & Prudden as a salesman, remaining in their service until the 1st of January, 1916, when the business was dissolved. He then entered the Security Savings Bank in the bond department, but at the end of a year severed his connection with that institution to embark in business independently and in 1917, in association with F. C. Hoehler, he engaged in the bond business, and they conducted their interests under the style of F. C. Hoehler & Company. Subsequently the partnership was discontinued and the present firm of Blanchett, Thornburgh & Vandersall was organized. They specialize in the sale of municipal bonds and other high grade investment securities. They are known to be men of integrity and reliability, with broad experience along investment lines; they have had no difficulty in securing a large and representative clientele and are classed with the representative bond houses of Toledo. Their offices are at No. 301-5 Second National Bank building.

On the 2d of September, 1914, Mr. Thornburgh was married to Miss Ruth McNulty, a daughter of Edward F. McNulty of Danville, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Thornburgh have become the parents of a son, Robert Wesley, who was born in Toledo, June 25, 1915. In all matters of citizenship Mr. Thornburgh is loyal, progressive and public-spirited and during the World war he was active in promoting the Liberty Loan campaigns and other measures promulgated by the government at that time. He is a republican in his political views and is a member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Commerce Club and the Inverness Club. He is a Knights Templar Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine and an exemplary representative of the craft. Throughout his career he has closely applied himself to the work in hand, giving his best efforts to each task that he has undertaken, and the years have chronicled his growing success. Mr. Thornburgh is well known in Toledo, where his life has been spent and where many of his best friends have been acquaintances from boyhood. Mr. Thornburgh's residence is at No. 519 Nottingham terrace.

OLIVER S. BOND

Oliver S. Bond, as chairman of the board of the Merchants & Clerks Savings Bank of Toledo is an outstanding figure in the financial circles of the city. He has steadily developed his talents and improved his opportunities in the course of an active business career, and step by step has advanced, ever contributing to the fortunes of Toledo in the promotion of one of its foremost financial institutions. Thus there have come to him "the blest accompaniments of age—honor, riches, troops of friends." He is now one of Toledo's most venerable residents, having passed the ninety-second milestone on life's journey, his birth occurring on his father's farm near Richmond, Indiana, June 29, 1831. His parents were William Commons and Hannah (Locke) Bond, and the former was a son of Jesse Bond, who devoted sixty years of his life to preaching the gospel as a representative of the Quaker faith and died at the age of eighty-four. His grandfather in the maternal line was William Locke, who was also heard proclaiming the gospel teaching at the Quaker meeting house in Economy, also for about sixty years, and he, too, had attained the age of eighty-four when he was called to his final rest. The family adhered strictly to the tenets and teachings of the church for a most extended period and Oliver S. Bond, at the age of sixteen, was serving as clerk of the meeting in the old meeting house which stood on his father's farm. His father

was one of the substantial residents of that community, living quietly and unostentatiously on the old homestead, commanding the respect of neighbors and friends by reason of an upright life and fidelity to every duty. The family has always been noted for longevity. Nathan Bond, an uncle of Oliver S. Bond, celebrated his sixty-seventh marriage anniversary in July, 1887, and an aunt, Ruth Nicholson, her golden wedding in 1886. An uncle, John A. Locke, also celebrated his golden wedding anniversary in 1887. All of these people lived on neighboring farms in eastern Indiana, the Bond family occupying one homestead near Richmond for more than a century. They came of English and Scotch ancestry, as did the Commons family, and on coming to America the family home was established near Harpers Ferry, Virginia. The maternal ancestors of Oliver S. Bond, the Lockes and the Mills families, likewise came from England and settled near Baltimore, Maryland. It was Jesse Bond, the grandfather, who removed west about 1800, his being the first white family to cross the Whitewater river at Richmond, Indiana, for permanent settlement.

The youthful experiences of Oliver S. Bond were those of the farm bred boy and after attending the district schools in the winter seasons for some time he supplemented his early training by two terms' study in the Whitewater College. Throughout his life he has been a reader and student and often while working in the fields he would carry a textbook with him, and when a period of rest came he would improve his time by reading.

On leaving home at the age of nineteen years he went to Peru, Indiana, where he was employed by the firm of Smith & Crowell, who not only sold to the early settlers of the neighborhood but also traded extensively with the Miami Indians, who were still numerous in that locality. Mr. Bond became quite friendly with the red men and relates many interesting incidents concerning his association with them and their habits of life and thought. In 1854 he left what was then the western frontier and went to New York city, where he spent two years in a wholesale dry goods and notions house and he also traveled throughout the western territory, making collections and soliciting trade. He took up his abode in Toledo in 1856 and for two years he was employed as a salesman and collector by the firm of Bell, Deveau & Company and its successor. On the 15th of July, 1858, as a partner of William B. Messinger, he opened the first exclusive boot and shoe house in Toledo, under the firm style of Messinger & Bond. The company's trade covered a very wide territory around Toledo and Mr. Bond had been associated with the business for twelve years when he sold out. In the meantime he had entered the field of banking by becoming a director of the Northern National Bank and during 1878 he was elected vice president and acted as president of the institution, while Mathew Shoemaker, the president, was in California. It was during this time that Mr. Bond developed a plan to open in Toledo a bank exclusively for savings. In this connection a contemporary writer has said: "The institution of which he is now the honored head was not born in a single night. It was a product of wise experience and many months of critical investigation of the principles and methods of saving institutions as conducted in New England. While in the east his arrangements for the enterprise were so far advanced that much of the requisite capital was subscribed by his personal friends and relatives. Then on returning to Toledo he brought about the organization of The Merchants & Clerks Savings Institution as it was first known, and the organization was completed on February 10, 1871. Some of the bank's history should be introduced into this sketch as quoted from a handsome pamphlet published in 1911, soon after the

first bank edifice was completed and at the fortieth anniversary of the institution's history.

" 'Early in 1871,' to quote this article, 'the Merchants & Clerks Savings Bank had its inception. Organized as the Merchants & Clerks Savings Institution, by Oliver S. Bond, who interested a large number of his friends and citizens in the enterprise, the capital was fixed at one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and what stock was not subscribed for in Toledo was immediately placed with about fifty of the capitalists and retired merchants of New England, of whom it was stated several years later in one of the bank's advertisements that anyone of them could assume and pay the entire deposits of the institution.

" 'The bank was first located in the rear of the room occupied by the Northern National Bank at 99 Summit street. A small part of the room was set aside and Oliver S. Bond, the newly elected treasurer, who for the first few months was treasurer, teller, bookkeeper and messenger all in one, opened the bank for business February 10, 1871. It was stipulated that Mr. Bond was to furnish a suitable room, safe and counter for the bank's use free of all expense to the bank, and after the business was well started in July of that year, to partly repay him, he was allowed a salary of eight hundred dollars a year.

" 'The Toledo of forty-five years ago was a little city with great expectations. The federal census of 1870 had given it a population of nearly thirty thousand, or about the present size of Lima or Lorain, and after the usual fashion of properly ambitious American towns by the time the bank was opened Toledo was claiming at least five thousand more. The period of history of the Merchants & Clerks Savings Bank between 1871 and the present day (1916) is reflected by the history of the city during that time. The bank grew and its influence for sound and conservative business methods were stamped on the community. The panic of 1873 was a test of strength and endurance of all the banks of the United States. Fortunately this young institution, fortified with real capital and guided by men of courage and determination, withstood the shock of that year and came unscathed through the six depressing years following.

" 'Matthew Shoemaker, then president of the Northern National Bank and a man with a wide reputation for business experience and conservatism, was made the bank's first president. He continued in office and the bank prospered, moved to a larger room of its own at 78 Summit street, and accumulated deposits of over two hundred thousand dollars; when, in 1884, after thirteen years of service, during which, thanks to his fidelity and sound advice, the bank had been placed on a firm foundation and was already gaining for itself the reputation of a conservative and safely managed bank, Mr. Shoemaker retired, owing to advancing age, and was succeeded by John A. Moore.

" 'Mr. Moore remained its president until 1888, when Oliver S. Bond, who had been treasurer of the institution since its foundation, was elected president, and continues in that office at the present time. Mr. Bond thus has the enviable distinction of having acted as an executive officer of a bank for the longest period ever served by such an official in Toledo. He is the only one of the original incorporators and the only member of the first board of directors now living.

" 'E. Louis Schomburg succeeded Mr. Bond as treasurer (title changed to cashier in 1891). Mr. Schomburg entered the service of the bank as messenger October 1, 1872, and has occupied at one time and another every position of trust in the bank except that of president. His energies have been directed to building up

the institution, and in appreciation of his long and faithful service, the directors elected him vice president in 1903 (a position he still retains in 1916).

"'Mr. Schomburg continued to hold the two positions of vice president and cashier until January, 1905, at which date Walter C. Bond, who had heretofore held the office of assistant cashier, was chosen cashier, and although at that time the youngest bank official in the city, he proved his executive ability and to him is due the credit for the new building into which the bank has just moved. Persistently presenting before the board of directors the handicap under which the bank was working in its cramped and uninviting quarters, he persuaded them to remodel the old building into an up-to-date banking room, and in less than nine months after the demolition of the old building had been started, the new quarters were completed and the bank had moved into them.

"'In 1891 it seemed that the time had arrived to widen the scope of the bank's business. The city had increased in population and was enjoying the prosperity that came to northwestern Ohio through discovery of oil and natural gas. The institution surrendered its old charter and changed its title to The Merchants & Clerks Savings Bank. The building at 338 Summit street was purchased by the bank and so remodeled that, according to a newspaper clipping of that time, it was the finest building on Summit street. Here the bank moved in the fall of 1891, and in its new location opened a commercial department and prepared to do a general banking business, having heretofore restricted itself entirely to saving accounts. The spring of 1893 found the country in the throes of a financial panic, during which the banks were tested as to their real strength and foundation; labor was thrown out of employment, and the general depression was aggravated by short crop years. These trying times showed conclusively how solidly and with what conservatism the affairs of this bank were being managed; and the years of prosperity which followed the depression proved that the community was appreciating its safe and careful policy.'

"Some figures taken from the different bank statements in the past forty-five years will graphically illustrate its progressive growth and widening influence. In its first year, 1871, its deposits aggregated about twenty-seven thousand dollars. Five years later the deposits reached more than a hundred thousand dollars, and in 1881 they stood at a little more than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Fifteen years later, in 1896, in spite of the several years of financial panic just preceding, the deposits were more than six hundred thousand dollars, and in 1902 the deposits passed the one-million-dollar mark." On January 15, 1923, the deposits were two million, two hundred eighty-one thousand, nine hundred thirty dollars and seventy-two cents; the capital stock one hundred and fifty thousand dollars and a surplus fund of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Mr. Bond remains in association with the bank as chairman of the board, although for a number of years he has left active management and control to others.

On the 23d of December, 1863, in New York city, Mr. Bond was married to Miss Clara A. Raymond, the only daughter of Hon. John Raymond. Six children have been born to them, three of whom are living: Harry, residing in California; Eva R., the widow of the late Judge J. W. Schaufelberger; and Mabel. A great blow came to the family in the death of the son, Walter C. Bond, who passed away April 10, 1913, at the age of thirty years. He had been made cashier of The Merchants & Clerks Savings Bank in 1905, being at that date the youngest bank official in the city, and at the time of his death was still the youngest bank executive in Toledo.

Mr. Bond has traveled extensively in America and Europe, gaining that broad and liberal culture which travel brings. He is a life member of several charitable and benevolent organizations, was one of the organizers of the Toledo Humane Society and has been its treasurer for many years, and also for many years he was a trustee of the Toledo Library Association, before it was merged with the Toledo Public Library. He has ever been interested in those forces and projects which make for intellectual and moral progress and his life has always been an influencing force for good among his associates. There are few men who arrive at his position and at his years. The nine decades which make up the period of his earthly existence have been filled with a useful activity, helpful to his fellowmen and to the city at large.

JOHN MATTHEWS McCABE

John Matthews McCabe, one of the well known lawyers of Toledo, is a partner in the law firm of Denman, Kirkbride, Wilson & McCabe. He was born on the 4th of February, 1884, in Tippecanoe, Indiana, his parents being Jacob and Charlotte (Matthews) McCabe. He was reared by his maternal grandparents at Delphos, Ohio, and pursued his early education in the schools of that place, while later he attended the Western Reserve University at Cleveland, receiving his LL. B. degree upon graduation from that institution with the class of 1910. Through the intervening period he has devoted his attention to active practice, and while advancement at the bar is proverbially slow, he has been successful and as a member of one of the most prominent law firms of the city he has been connected with much important litigation. He is likewise well known in the educational field, having been an instructor in the Toledo Law School since 1912. He is not only well grounded in the principles of the law but has had wide experience in the courts and is accounted an able advocate and safe counselor.

In September, 1912, Mr. McCabe was united in marriage to Miss Leona B. McCabe of Delphos, Ohio, and they have become parents of two children: John Matthews, Jr., and Virginia Pauline.

Fraternally Mr. McCabe is connected with the Masons. He also has membership with the Lawyers' Club and his name is on the membership list of the Lucas County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association.

CHARLES E. BUNTING

Charles E. Bunting was born in Salem, Ohio, April 9, 1886, a son of William and Fannie (Brown) Bunting, the former a native of Belfast, Ireland, and the latter of London, England. In early life they came to the United States and the father subsequently became prominently identified with The Ohio Brass Company, of Mansfield, Ohio. He passed away in Atlantic City, in 1916. The mother is still living. In their family were four children, three of whom lived to adult ages: William H., John W., and Charles E. Bunting.

The last named acquired his education in the public schools of Salem and Mansfield, Ohio, afterward serving an apprenticeship as a machinist with The

Ohio Brass Company of Mansfield, Ohio. He later was made traveling installation engineer for that firm, filling that position for one year and a half, at the end of which time he became a student in engineering at Ohio State University at Columbus.

In 1907 he went to Alliance, Ohio, and aided his father in forming The Bunting Brass & Bronze Company, which in 1910 was removed to Toledo. He is also connected with The Maumee Pattern Company, The Richardson Company, The Toledo Steel Products Company, The Motor Macultivator Company, The Willys-Overland Company, The Northern National Bank, The Conklin Pen Manufacturing Company, etc.

He is a member of Trinity Episcopal church, of which he is a vestryman, and has served on the boards of The Toledo Chamber of Commerce, The Merchants & Manufacturers' Association and The Toledo Community Chest. He is a member of the Chi Phi, a college Greek letter fraternity and is a thirty-second degree Mason, a Knight Templar and a Shriner. He belongs to the Elks Club, the Toledo Club, the Rotary Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Yacht Club.

When national issues are at stake Mr. Bunting votes the republican ticket, but at local elections he casts his ballot in favor of the candidate whom he deems best qualified for office without considering party ties. His residence is at No. 3263 Collingwood avenue.

FRANK CHARLES SCHMIDT

Frank Charles Schmidt, president of the Liberty Highway Company, has been a lifelong resident of this city. He was born November 29, 1886, and is a son of Frank N. and Anna (Ackerman) Schmidt. The father came to Toledo in 1856 and for a time was employed in the post office department of the government service, while later he engaged in the manufacture of perfume. The mother was a native of this city.

Frank C. Schmidt was educated in St. Mary's parochial school, in the public schools and in the high school and after his textbooks were put aside he took up the business of perfume manufacturing in connection with his father. In fact, he became identified with the company while still a youth, being but fifteen years of age at the time, and eventually he was made secretary, a position which he occupied for ten years. He next identified himself with the real estate business as vice president and sales manager of the Charles Fox Company and became thoroughly conversant with realty values in this city, having negotiated many important property transfers. He has a wide knowledge of the realty that is on the market and in all of his dealings employed a most energetic and progressive spirit in promoting sales and effecting property exchanges. At length he organized the Frank C. Schmidt Realty Company, of which he is the president and treasurer.

During the World war Mr. Schmidt closed his real estate office and after a time organized and put into operation a trucking system for the moving of war munitions at Detroit and Toledo. At the close of the war, which was followed by the railroad strike, he handled a large volume of business which helped very much in keeping a number of manufacturers going, as he could move their goods, furnishing quick transportation. It was in April, 1918, that he organized the Liberty Highway Company, which he developed until he was operating sixty-five trucks

FRANK C. SCHMIDT

during the war period. He now operates twenty-three trucks and trailers and in this connection gives employment to one hundred and fifty people. Of this business he is the president, treasurer and general manager. Alert and energetic he seems readily to recognize the possibilities and opportunities of any business situation and his well directed efforts are bringing to him substantial success.

On the 5th of May, 1908, Mr. Schmidt was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Mabel Mundwiler, a native of Wood county, Ohio, and they have become the parents of two children: Frances and Marian. Mr. Schmidt belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and has membership with the Chamber of Commerce, thus manifesting his interest in organized effort for the city's upbuilding, the promotion of business relations and the maintenance of high civic standards. In club circles, too, he is well known, belonging to the Transportation Club, the Toledo Automobile Club, and the Maumee River Yacht Club. He has made steady progress in his business career since making his initial step in commercial circles when a lad of fifteen years. Steadily he has advanced through the intervening period and his activities have been of vital worth to the community, especially in the development of his transportation interests through the war period and at a later date when it was necessary to move goods or cause an awful suspension in trade. For three years Mr. Schmidt served as chairman of the republican county central committee of Lucas county. He is a director of the Michigan State Highways Association and is a member of the Board of Control of the Ohio association.

LEWIS HENRY CLEMENT

An eminent scholar-actor, lecturing to a Chicago audience said: "Theodore Thomas has done more for this city in the way of development than the great Edison interests, the packing industry or any other of the great industrial or commercial activities here found." What Theodore Thomas was to Chicago, Lewis Henry Clement is to Toledo. There is no one who has labored so indefatigably, so effectively and so successfully in establishing and promoting the interests of the Toledo Symphony Orchestra as he. This alone might constitute a life work, but Lewis H. Clement has labored along many other lines whereby musical interests of the country have been promoted. He has long been a prominent figure in the piano trade, not only in the matter of sales but in the matter of protecting the public through honest advertising, through straightforward business methods, not as exemplified only in the stores with which he has been connected but in the great realm of the piano trade at large. He is at once the practical business man and the artist, and gradually through his efforts and the cooperation he has secured Toledo has constantly advanced her standard in music and has reason to be proud of the performances of her Symphony Orchestra. His labors have been of inspirational value, inasmuch as they have made life larger, sweeter and better, for the thousands who have heard the concert performances in which he has been a participating artist.

The life story of Lewis H. Clement is an interesting one. Born in Colon, St. Joseph county, Michigan, July 30, 1864, he is a son of Sylvester Nicholas and Corinth (Legg) Clement. His ancestry is traced to France, through Holland, from which latter country Jan Clement emigrated to the United States in 1663. He was an owner of farms in Flatlands, and in Flatbush (now Brooklyn), New York

city. He married Marie Boquet and had several children. The military records of the Clements in the Revolution, the War of 1812, the Civil war and the Spanish-American war are notable, and in the early settlements of this country along the Hudson river the name of Clement appears all through the records so carefully kept in the Dutch Reformed churches of those days. Lewis H. Clement has in his possession the original pay roll lists of Lieutenant Aaron Clement in the War of 1812 and the original of several of the wills of those early pioneers, including that of the first settler above, Jan Clement himself. Lewis H. Clement has said: "If there is one outstanding trait in the Clement family it is a most wholesome respect for truth and probity. There is something distinctive, it seems to me, in the record of a family which, if it has made enemies, has done so in defense of truth or the denunciation of deliberate crookedness. This may be seen in the fact that the only time my father ever whipped me, except as a parent boxes a child's ears, was because I had lied to him. He simply would not tolerate a lie, and it is a characteristic trait of the family to stand for things which count. My own motto is this: 'The greatest thing in the world is truth.' "

Sylvester Nicholas Clement, father of Mr. Clement of this review, removed from his native city of Livonia, New York, to Michigan in 1836, after the death of his parents, which occurred when he was seven years of age. He accompanied an older sister to that state and eventually there became a farmer and breeder of blooded stock, being especially a lover of fine horses. Later he engaged in buying and shipping wool, grain and other produce and lived an active, useful life covering eighty years. His wife, who was born in Naples, New York, accompanied her parents to Michigan in the pioneer days of 1836. She was a woman of great natural refinement and love of the beautiful and from her Mr. Clement undoubtedly inherited his artistic nature, while at the same time he possesses the strong business qualities that characterized his father.

After pursuing his studies in the schools of Colon Lewis H. Clement continued his course in the high schools of Homer and of Union City, Michigan, and for one term he taught a district school. His musical talent, which he early manifested, was cultivated by study in the Chicago Musical College, and violin with Edward Heimendahl and others, harmony and counterpoint with Albert A. Stanley of the University of Michigan and with Francis L. York of the Detroit Conservatory of Music. From boyhood he has been a constant student of the best in music and literature and the first dollar that he ever earned in his boyhood days was spent for a cheap copy of Shakespeare's complete works. After graduating from high school and teaching for a term he went to Chicago, where he obtained a position with the Illinois Central Railroad in order to continue his music studies under capable teachers. Soon afterward he was employed in the office of the city weighmaster and later by John S. Gould & Company, wholesale grocers, as bill clerk. There during a period of three years he was promoted to entry clerk, "figuring profits," city buyer and assistant on the books. He managed to continue his musical studies by carrying his lunch, of which he hastily partook, and taking a forty-five minute lesson during the noon hour, while his practice was pursued at night. Later he secured a position with Hurlbut & Company, wholesale dealers in tailors' trimmings, as assistant bookkeeper and credit man, there remaining until his marriage, after which he filled in a few months' time before entering in business for himself in the book department of The D. & M. department store on State street, where he was made city buyer during the sixth week of his connection with the establishment.

In 1886, following his marriage, Mr. Clement carried out a long contemplated

plan of entering business on his own account and with the assistance of his father he purchased the piano and music store of Alvin Wilsey at Ann Arbor, Michigan, continuing in the retail music trade there for about two years, after which he was made secretary and manager of the newly incorporated Ann Arbor Organ Company, organ manufacturers. The two interests were consolidated and Mr. Clement managed both the factory sales department and the retail piano and music store. In 1896 he sailed for Europe and established agencies for the Ann Arbor organs in London and in Liverpool.

His connection with Toledo began in 1900, when he was made manager of the Whitney & Currier Company, an old established music and piano house of this city. Here he took a deep interest in a movement then being fostered by Mr. A. W. Kortheuer, to establish a symphony orchestra, acting as secretary and treasurer and playing first violin until his removal to New York in 1905. In the latter year he was offered a position by Steinway & Sons as salesman in their New York warerooms and a year later was made New York manager of the old piano house of Mason & Hamlin of Boston, building and opening the warerooms of that company on Fifth avenue in New York, where he remained as manager for five years. In 1911 W. H. Currier, then president of the old Toledo house of Whitney & Currier, desiring to retire, suggested that Mr. Clement return to Toledo as president of the house of which he had formerly been manager. The plan was consummated and he remained president until 1915, when he sold his interest to Grinnell Brothers of Detroit, who continued the business under their own name.

With every practical phase of the business Mr. Clement has been closely and prominently associated. In 1908 he began a campaign in the piano trade to do away with fraudulent advertising. Through speeches, pamphlets and in other ways he waged a vigorous educational campaign, the result being that he was sent to Washington by the National Association of Piano Merchants with letters to President Roosevelt, the attorney general and the postmaster general to see what could be done to make effective laws to prevent and punish fraudulent advertising. Two years later he was elected president of the Piano Merchants National Association and, continuing the campaign, was made a member of the National Vigilance Committee, Associated Advertising Clubs of America, speaking before many advertising clubs on "Fraudulent Advertising—Can It Be Prevented?" He assisted in drafting the Printers' Ink model statute against fraudulent advertising and developed interest and secured the passage of the bill in Ohio, which was the first state in the Union to pass it. In 1911 he was elected president of the Toledo Advertising Club and the following year was chosen vice president of the Central Division Associated Advertising Clubs. It was also in 1912 that he was elected president of the Ohio Piano Merchants Association. In 1915 he took up advertising as a profession and has since been engaged in that business, specializing in financial advertising, and in this, as in other lines with which he has been connected, he has held to the highest professional standards. He is now president of the Bond Outdoor Advertising Company and his initiative and broad vision have enabled him to introduce many new ideas and ideals in connection with the profession.

At Homer, Michigan, on the 12th of May, 1886, Mr. Clement was married to Miss Carrie May Green, a daughter of Harry S. and Mary (Ketcham) Green. Her father was a boot and shoe merchant of Homer and for a number of years was the leader of the choir in the Methodist church, in which Mrs. Clement served as organist from early girlhood to the time of her marriage. Her brother, Charles H. Green, No. 105 West Fortieth street, New York, was the important member

of the directorate in the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco and served in connection with other similar exhibitions, notably the great New York silk shows. To Mr. and Mrs. Clement have been born two daughters, Eva Belle and Elsa May, both skilled pianists, while the latter is also a well known vocalist.

In politics Mr. Clement has usually allied himself with the republican party where national questions and issues are involved but was a "Bull Mooser" and delegate to the state convention and also treasurer of the Lucas county campaign when Roosevelt—"the foremost American"—headed the ticket. Mr. Clement was the seventh member admitted to the Toledo Rotary Club. He belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, to the Toledo Advertising Club and to the Toledo Yacht Club and he is a Knights Templar and Consistory Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine. His church connection is with the Disciples of Christ. Perhaps his greatest public work has been in connection with the Toledo Symphony Orchestra. He has not only contributed to the excellence of the performances but has done perhaps more than any other one man to create public opinion in support of this organization. In this connection the editor in chief of the Toledo Times wrote: "In the possession of a remarkable aptitude or unusual endowment for music, Lewis H. Clement, director of the Toledo Symphony Orchestra, is not a genius. At least, not according to the common interpretation of that word. But if genius also can stand for perseverance; if it can mean continuous effort toward a given goal; if it can be defined as the ability to meet each new problem with a fresh determination to succeed, then Lewis Clement has genius. In the creation of a symphony orchestra for Toledo, Mr. Clement did not wait for opportunity to knock. He did not delay launching the project until philanthropic gifts made the way easy. Being a practical business man he realized the uncertainty of this course. Being a man of vision he saw the great educational possibilities of a musical organization of this nature and sensed its immediate need. And being a leader among men he perceived that these conditions made the opportunity, of which he took possession, and inaugurated Toledo's symphony orchestra. Many obstacles have confronted him in this worthy civic undertaking. He has not been discouraged. Lack of funds, opposition from unexpected quarters and internal dissension have been encountered. He has refused to give up. Knowing his cause is right Lewis Clement is carrying on. Toledo has a symphony orchestra which is a credit to the city. If given the proper support it will continue to develop and will prove of inestimable value in the musical education of the community. As a factor in elevating civic ideals it will be on a par with Toledo's other great institutions of learning."

His work in connection with fraudulent advertising has been a most valuable service to his fellowmen, but in the promotion of the Toledo Symphony Orchestra he has given to the city something of the greatest inspirational value, its elevating influence being immeasurable. From childhood he manifested exceptional natural talent for music but, born on a farm, did not have the early opportunity to develop this talent to its utmost. Almost from the first day he heard the great Theodore Thomas orchestra as a youth in Chicago, he determined to do what he could to help other talented persons to have a chance to develop their talent. While in Ann Arbor he directed the college orchestra, then known by the Indian name, The Chequamegon Orchestra, and added much pleasant and profitable musical experience to the college days of many a young student. In Toledo, as early as 1900, he began to advocate and assist in the movement for a permanent symphony orchestra and in 1911, following his return from New York, where he had come into close contact with the big orchestras and leading musicians, he began again to

preach the gospel of good orchestra music as the big cultural influence in a community. On the 22d of March, 1920, he brought about the incorporation of the Toledo Symphony Society to promote and maintain the Toledo Symphony Orchestra. He was elected secretary, which position he has since held, and also was made conductor. In the first three seasons twenty-one concerts have been given with a select orchestra of sixty.

A Musical Instrument Trust Fund of one thousand dollars was established by Mrs. Clarence Brown to aid able musicians to buy the best instruments and pay back the amounts loaned as earned in the orchestra. An endowment fund for the permanent maintenance of the orchestra has also been started and the movement has every promise of developing into one of the big orchestras of the country. To aid and encourage young players and to give preliminary training to ambitious musicians who desire to qualify for places in the Toledo Symphony Orchestra, Mr. Clement established, under the auspices of the Toledo Museum of Art, a Civic Symphony Orchestra, which consists of younger players who meet regularly for rehearsal under his direction. The influence of his efforts is immeasurable. He is fast giving to Toledo an organization that is the rival of similar symphony societies in even much larger cities. He has convinced many of the skeptical that love of the finest music is in the majority of individuals latent, perhaps, but lying ready to be awakened into life. So practical, so direct and so telling is the letter which he wrote in response to the remark of a friend that he did not appreciate symphony orchestras that for the benefit of the general public the historian cannot refrain from adding it to this personal record of Mr. Clement, who said: "Somehow, after our telephone chat, I feel that there is something I may say to you which should be said both in defense of the movement for a Symphony Orchestra in Toledo—though such a movement needs no defense—and in the endeavor to give you a new viewpoint from which to judge classical music. Therefore, will you just turn these thoughts over in your mind a bit: Nothing in this world gives much pleasure that is attained without some effort. The purpose of education is to train the mind to form correct judgment. The things requiring the least thought are of least value. The things which last are the result of organized, systematic and discriminating thought. The vision of the dreamer of today becomes the reality of years hence. That which grows or matures quickly dies quickly, whether it be a weed or a piece of jazz music. The Pyramids, St. Paul's cathedral, Shakespeare's plays and Beethoven's symphonies endure because they were built out of great thoughts by painstaking, conscientious effort. Now you know all this and I would not tire you to repeat it were it not to emphasize this point: Beethoven's symphonies, for instance, are patterned largely after the folk songs and dances of the people; songs which have endured for years because they have come out of the very heart of the common people. With these heart songs as a basis, Beethoven, who cared not for wealth or fame or position, created in an attic music which his deafness prevented him from hearing excepting mentally, but which has lived for more than a hundred years; has been played over and over and over again by the greatest orchestras of the world, before millions and millions of people who have come to hear it time, time and again—each time with greater pleasure and renewed interest. Now, if classical music is a bore, how do you account for this phenomenal appeal to people educated and uneducated in music, in every country where music is known? What is there about this universal language composed by a man one hundred and fifty years ago, that causes it to live and grow and blossom? Is it because it is the fad of a few highbrows? No, because the subscribers to the symphony concerts in every city

include people from every walk of life. You know that what I say of Beethoven applies with the same force to Schubert, Haydn, Mozart, Mendelssohn, Schumann, and dozens of others who have devoted their talent in this direction. In New York alone there are something like thirteen symphony orchestras and a half dozen movie houses with orchestras of over fifty men each, and in every one of these concerts, the music you call highbrow is played—and it must be enjoyed, because the movie houses with these great orchestras charge three and four times the price of others and you have to stand in line to get a seat in any one of them. Why is this? Why does the same condition exist in San Francisco in those movie houses with great orchestras playing the best music; and why do cities like Philadelphia, St. Louis, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Boston, Minneapolis, etc., etc., raise hundreds of thousands of dollars every year to support their symphony orchestras? These orchestras all play the best music. Larger numbers attend their concerts every year. They never lower their programs to meet the popular taste, but they gradually bring the public taste up to the level of their programs. All this being true—and no one can question these facts—is not the reason why better music is not heard and enjoyed in Toledo the fault of Toledo and not the fault of the music? Is it not a condition about which Toledo should feel humiliated? When the demand on the part of the people is so little that not a single music store in Toledo had a single symphony of any of the great composers, in any form whatever, for any instrument, is it not a thing to cause us to sit up and ask ourselves some pertinent questions? Now you know that the above is not addressed to you personally but only as one who, with the many, has not become aroused to the need for the opportunity of hearing the great orchestral works in our city, and it is all written to give you my viewpoint as to the reason for this lamentable condition. For instance, the first time you played bridge whist, the game was like Greek to you. The leads and the counter leads and all that, needed to be studied in order to be understood, and the pleasure of the game came with the knowledge of the science in it. You didn't play golf well the first time you had a club in your hand; and so it is with everything to which we look for amusement. The pleasure of the game largely depends upon the skill in playing it, and the enjoyment of music largely depends upon the brains that went into its composition. A man writes a ragtime tune in an hour; you learn to whistle it in ten minutes, and it dies and is never heard of again in about ten weeks. A few months ago it was 'Ta-ra-ra-boom-dea' and everybody whistled—everybody played—everybody sang it; but like 'After the Ball' it is buried and forgotten. But the symphonies of Beethoven, after one hundred and fifty years, are played more and enjoyed more and by a larger number of people than ever before since they were written. It takes an oak a hundred years to grow; a thistle ripens over night. You are a good scout. Your heart's in the right place. You are helping to do a mighty big work in Toledo and I want you sold on this symphony orchestra matter. The great point that I want to emphasize is this: A Victor dealer here in Toledo was asked to go on the guaranty fund. Notwithstanding that the orchestra would help in the sale of records, he said, 'I am not interested in orchestra music. Let those who enjoy it help support it.' I replied, 'Let me see—you are quite a reader, aren't you?' 'Oh yes, I am,' he said. 'Have you any children?' I asked. 'Yes, two.' 'Do they use the public library?' 'Yes indeed, every week,' he answered. 'Do you ever get books there?' 'Yes, often.' 'Well,' I said, 'The taxpayers built and support the library though many of them never use it. They help support it so that when you or your children want a particular book you can get it; but if

your children want to know the music of Beethoven or Mozart or any other of the great composers, somebody has got to support a symphony orchestra or they will never have an opportunity to hear it.' This is the crux of this whole matter as I see it. Everybody must be made to realize the importance of this movement and to feel down deep in their hearts that maybe if the opportunity was offered them to hear this wonderful music which has lived so long and been enjoyed by so many millions, that they too would enjoy it and revere the names of the men that left such a heritage to the world."

EMERY ELLSWORTH LUCAS

Among the varied lines of business which have contributed to the commercial development and prosperity of Toledo the automobile industry occupies a prominent place and to this field of activity Emery Ellsworth Lucas has long devoted his energies with gratifying results, for he is now controlling one of the leading sales agencies in the city, while he is also identified with other important business enterprises, all of which profit by his keen sagacity and progressive spirit. He was born in Redkey, Indiana, December 27, 1883, and his parents were B. E. and Caroline (Gibbs) Lucas, both natives of Washington Court House, Ohio. The father later went to Indiana, in which state he continued to reside until called to his final rest, devoting his attention to the management of a hotel. The mother is still living and is now a resident of Greenville, Ohio. They were the parents of two children: Mrs. Elsie Klinger of Muskegon, Michigan; and Emery Ellsworth.

In the acquirement of an education Emery Ellsworth Lucas attended the public schools of Redkey, Indiana, and he then entered the West Texas Military Academy, taking up special work, but left that institution before completing his course. In 1906 he secured a position with the Maxwell-Briscoe Company of Indiana and remained with them until 1912, when he became connected with the Studebaker Corporation of Detroit, Michigan, in the capacity of receiving clerk, continuing in their service for two years. In 1914 he became identified with the Ford Motor Company of that city and in 1916 came to Toledo, establishing the Lucas Auto Sales Company, of which he is the president. He handles the Ford and Lincoln cars and the Ford tractors and is numbered among the leading automobile dealers of the city. Mr. Lucas combines a detailed knowledge of the business with keen discernment and executive ability and his aggressive methods and straightforward dealing have enabled him to build up a large trade. This constitutes but one phase of his activities, however, for he is serving as vice president of the Anderson-Roberts Manufacturing Company, treasurer of the Auto Sales & Appraisals Company and manager of the Scientific Farm Products Company, all of which are prosperous business enterprises of this city.

In Detroit, on the 24th of February, 1913, Mr. Lucas was married to Miss Leah Lasca, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lasca of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Lucas have three children: Emery E., Jr., whose birth occurred in Detroit in 1914 and who is now attending the public schools; Shirley, who was born in Toledo in 1918; and William, born in December, 1920. Mr. and Mrs. Lucas are members of the Roman Catholic church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. Fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and in social

circles of the city he is well known as a member of the Inverness, Lions, Toledo, Toledo Yacht, Toledo Automobile and Commerce clubs. He has made steady progress since starting out in the business world and his career is proof of the fact that there is yet room at the top, even under the close competitive conditions of the business world of today, if the individual has the required ability, force and efficiency. He is continually broadening the scope of his activities with good results and in the conduct of his business affairs he displays that spirit of enterprise which works for individual success and also constitutes a factor in public prosperity. His residence is at No. 2933 Collingwood avenue.

RALEIGH DANIEL MILLS

Raleigh Daniel Mills, cashier of the Home Savings Bank Company, is one of the well known men in the financial circles of Toledo. He comes to this city from Wisconsin, his birth having occurred in La Crosse, that state, on the 12th of August, 1879, his parents being Daniel and Jane Mills. He obtained his education in the publis schools of Friendship, Maine, and of Apple River, Illinois.

In entering on his business career Mr. Mills became connected with the coal business and his entire business life has been marked by a steady progress that indicates the wise use of the opportunities that have come to him. He dates his residence in Toledo from 1908 and in financial circles has figured prominently, his association with the Home Savings Bank Company beginning in 1908. He is now the cashier and one of the directors of this institution, which is regarded as one of the best managed financial institutions of the city. Mr. Mills is a courteous and obliging official and is numbered among Toledo's capable men in banking circles.

At Toledo, on the 3d of May, 1913, Mr. Mills was united in marriage to Miss Helen Miller, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion M. Miller. They have become parents of three interesting children: Gordon, Eleanor and Robert.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills hold membership in the Unitarian church and he is well known in the club circles of the city, having membership in the Toledo Club and in the Sylvania Golf Club. The latter is indicative of the chief nature of his recreation, for when leisure permits he greatly enjoys a game on the links. Mr. Mills' residence is at No. 2263 Maplewood avenue.

LEONARD HALL GEROW

Leonard Hall Gerow is a leading Toledo architect, largely specializing in the building of residences, being a member of the firm of Gerow & Conklin. He was born in Milton, New York, on the 29th of May, 1889. He supplemented his thorough public school training by a course in Cornell University, where he specialized in the study of architecture and in 1913 was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Architecture. Seeking the opportunities offered along professional lines in Toledo, he was here associated with various firms, one of which was the George Rheinfrank Company, with which firm he remained for two years, having charge of office detail work. In 1917 he opened offices and under his own name has

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since practiced his profession. He has been a close student of all the basic principles that underlie the profession and is adapting the old and time-tried methods to modern-day conditions, with results that are very gratifying. Some of the most attractive residences of Toledo have been erected on plans which he has made, in which utility, convenience and beauty are admirably blended, so that his work is constituting a substantial means of adornment to Toledo. Among the number are the residences of B. C. Bowen, in West Morland, Mrs. Elizabeth Fella, L. J. Gifford, G. A. Kellam and G. H. Jones. He holds to the highest standards of the profession and is making continuous progress in winning a large clientele.

On August 31, 1922, Mr. Gerow married Miss Alma Klappick.

Mr. Gerow is well known as a member of St. Mathews Brotherhood and his interest centers along those lines and in those channels through which flows the greatest and most permanent good to the greatest number.

GEORGE E. SENEY

George E. Seney, prominently and widely known not only as a lawyer engaged in active practice but also as an educator and contributor to the literature of his profession, his writings being widely read and strongly endorsed by leading attorneys throughout the country, has practiced continuously in Toledo since 1901. He was born in this city September 22, 1879, and is a son of Judge Joshua R. Seney. He is descended from Norman-French ancestry and a family who through various generations has been identified with the legal profession. His great-great-grandfather, John Seney, was a member of the bar, practicing for many years and also serving for an extended period as a member of the general assembly of Maryland, acting as chairman of the judiciary committee. He was likewise made a member of the Maryland convention which ratified the federal constitution of 1787 and of the electoral college which unanimously chose George Washington for the first president of the United States. He had served during the Revolutionary war as captain of a company of Maryland troops and after nearly seven years of active defense of the American cause was mustered out with the rank of colonel.

Joshua Seney, the great-grandfather of George E. Seney, completed a course in the literary department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1773, being graduated with the B. A. degree, his diploma being signed by Benjamin Rush, professor of chemistry, who was later one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence; Dr. Morgan, the first surgeon general of the United States army; and Dr. Shippen, a distinguished scholar, lawyer and judge. Like his father Joshua Seney won for himself a place of distinction in connection with colonial affairs and with the young nation after American independence had been won. He was a contemporary of his father in the Maryland legislature and for four years was a member of the continental congress, where he was a colleague of his former professor, Benjamin Rush. He became chief justice of Maryland and was a member of the First United States congress following the establishment of government and also served in the Second congress from March 4, 1789, until May 1, 1792, when he resigned to return to the bench. In the same year as a presidential elector he voted for Washington and Adams. In 1798 he was again elected to congress but did not live to take the seat. He died October 20, 1798, and a monument marks the spot of his

last resting place in Queen Annes county, Maryland, the following inscription being copied therefrom:

BENEATH THIS STONE
ARE INTERRED
THE REMAINS OF
JOSHUA SENEY

who was born near the spot which now contains his ashes, March 4, 1756, and died October 20, 1798.

From the commencement of the American Revolution at various periods in his life he filled with ability some of the highest stations and discharged with integrity some of the most important duties to which his native state could appoint him; preserving through the whole a character both private and public untainted by a single vice. In 1776 a whig, a democrat in 1798, he zealously and increasingly maintained the liberties of his country and died as he lived, an honest man and a Christian.

The wife of Joshua Seney was a daughter of Commodore James Nicholson, who at one period of the Revolution had command of the navy. He was a son of Sir Francis Nicholson, royal governor of New York and also of Maryland.

Joshua Seney, Jr., the grandfather of George E. Seney, was born in New York in 1793 and was graduated from Columbia College and the University Law School. He was a subordinate officer in the navy in the War of 1812 and he served as private secretary to Albert Gallatin, who was secretary of the treasury under President Jefferson. For ten years he engaged in law practice at Uniontown, Pennsylvania, as a partner of Mr. Gallyatin, who was his uncle by marriage, and then removed to Tiffin, Ohio. He was elected clerk of the supreme court and was appointed United States district judge for Pennsylvania by President Jackson, but resigned that office to resume the private practice of law. In 1840 he was one of the presidential electors; he passed away in 1854. His wife, Anna Ebbert, born in Philadelphia, in 1803, died in Tiffin, Ohio, in 1878. Her ancestors were among the early Dutch settlers of Philadelphia and her father, George Ebbert, was a merchant of that city, associated in business with his father. Mrs. Seney was graduated from Brownsville Female College and soon afterward met her husband at Uniontown, Pennsylvania, at a ball given for General Lafayette, their marriage occurring after a short courtship. They had a family of three sons, who became prominent lawyers and jurists of Ohio, these being: George E., who married Anna Walker, a granddaughter of Josiah Hedges, who was the founder of Tiffin, Ohio; Joshua Robert, who married Julia Rice, and they had a son, George E., the subject of this review; and Henry W., who married Mary Allen; he passed away in 1911, leaving a son and a daughter, Allen J. and Elma Seney Richards.

Joshua Robert Seney, father of George E. Seney of this review, after attending the public schools of Ohio continued his education in Antioch College. He afterward matriculated in Union College at Schenectady, New York, where he was graduated with honors in languages out of a class of one hundred and fifty. He was master of seven languages and his high scholarly attainments entitled him to membership in the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity. Following his graduation from Union College in 1860 he volunteered his services at the outbreak of the Civil war, entering the service as a private and though still young he was commissioned a major, but on account of ill health the government refused his enlistment. After-

ward, however, he organized the One Hundred and First Regiment of Ohio Infantry and saw some service in the capacity of sutler. He then read law with Judge Pillars of Tiffin, Ohio, and after being admitted to the bar he began practice in Toledo. There he formed a law partnership with Hon. R. C. Lemmon, this association being maintained until Mr. Seney was elected judge of the common pleas court of Lucas county, Ohio. Although only twenty-nine years of age at the time of his election to the bench, youth was no impediment to one who possessed a judicial temperament and had all the training and endowments necessary for a judicial career. He made a most enviable record as a judge, was careful, painstaking and just and would never sacrifice the ideals of justice because of technical restrictions. It is said that he was the first judge in the state and one of the first in the nation to permit a negro to sit on a jury and at another time he declared that a clerkship is not an office within the meaning of the constitution and that women are eligible to fill it. The supreme court sustained this decision, which was responsible for throwing open the doors to women employed in clerical capacities in state, county and city offices. Ill health brought a cessation of his activities as a judge and lawyer and for ten years prior to his death he was practically an invalid. Aside from his work on the bench the honors and emoluments of office had little attraction for him, his one aim being to excel in his profession. He was noted as a great trial lawyer, his arguments being logical, eloquent and forceful and it is doubtful if he was ever excelled in cross examination. Politically he was a democrat and he was one of the three young attorneys who laid the foundation for the splendid law library at Toledo. Judge Seney was married to Miss Julia Rice, a daughter of Clark H. Rice, and a sister of the late General Americus V. Rice. She attended the public schools at Kalida, Ohio, and completed a four years' collegiate course at Vermilion Institute. She was a brilliant woman of high cultural and social attainments and was widely known for her charitable and benevolent work. Mrs. Seney passed away in Toledo, Ohio, on the 30th of April, 1915.

Their son, George E. Seney, acquired his early education in the public schools of Toledo, continued his studies in the Toledo Manual Training School and afterward pursued his literary course in the University of Michigan, the Ohio State University and Toledo University, receiving from these institutions the degrees of Bachelor and Master of Arts. His law course was also pursued in the Ohio University, which conferred upon him the LL. B. degree in 1901. For about three years he was a trustee of the Toledo University and lecturer in the Toledo College on constitutional law for two years. He is the author of many special articles which have appeared in magazines and newspapers and his writings have always attracted wide attention. He enjoys high rank as an educator and as a writer in the legal field and his success in a professional way affords the best evidence of his capability in this line. He is a strong advocate with the jury and concise in his appeals before the court. In no profession is there a career more open to talent than in that of the law and in no field of endeavor is there demanded a more careful preparation, a more thorough appreciation of the absolute ethics of life, or of the underlying principles which form the basis of all human rights and privileges. Unflagging application and intuitive wisdom, combined with the determination fully to utilize the needs at hand, are the concomitants which insure personal success and prestige in this great profession, which stands as a stern conservator of justice, and it is one into which none could enter without a recognition of the obstacles to be overcome and the battles to be won, for success does not

come to the call of every person who enters a competitive grade but comes only as the direct result of capacity and unmistakable ability. Possessing all the requisite qualities of the able lawyer, Mr. Seney has, therefore, made continuous advancement in his chosen calling. Aside from this he is known in business circles as a director of the Crambaugh Kuehn Company, the Gould Realty Company and as president of the Feno Realty Company. His operations in real estate are widely and resultantly directed.

During the World war Mr. Seney was president of the Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. He took an active part in all Liberty bond drives and War Stamps campaigns and also in promoting the Red Cross and other civilian activities. He was a member of the Naval Reserve and in days of peace as in days of war he loyally supports all those forces that have to do with the progress and prosperity of the community and the advancement of high standards of citizenship. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons as a Knight Templar and in the Scottish Rite he has taken the thirty-second degree. He is well known in professional circles, having served for two years as secretary of the Toledo Bar Association and as vice president of the Toledo Lawyers' Club and retaining his membership in these he is also connected with the Ohio Bar and the American Bar associations.

Mr. Seney was united in marriage to Miss Adah Kuhlthau, a daughter of Charles E. Kuhlthau of Delaware, Ohio. She is a graduate of Ursuline Convent and later attended the Ohio Wesleyan and Toledo universities and is an accomplished musician and poet, her work along this line calling forth merited praise and admiration. Mr. and Mrs. Seney are parents of two children: Julia Rice and George E., Jr.

CHARLES H. BRADY

Among the prominent and highly honored members of the legal profession in Toledo is Charles H. Brady, of the firm of Miller & Brady. A native of this city, he was born October 22, 1884, a son of James Edward and Sarah F. (Rowley) Brady, the former a native of Massachusetts, while the latter was born in Vermont. The father came to Ohio from St. Albans, Vermont, in 1880, settling in Toledo and here he conducted a successful business as a harness manufacturer. He and his family took place among the most highly esteemed residents of the city, and here Mr. Brady passed away in 1919. Mrs. Brady resides in Toledo. Of their family of six children two have passed away. Those living are: Walter, Charles H. and Mabel, all of Toledo; and John B., who is now in Long Beach, California.

Charles H. Brady attended the public schools, passing through consecutive grades until graduated from the high school at the age of eighteen years. His desire to enter upon a professional career caused him at that time to enter the University of Michigan as a law student and he was graduated in 1909, with the LL. B. degree. He then entered upon active practice in connection with Albert H. Miller, under the firm style of Miller & Brady and throughout the intervening period their progress as representatives at the Toledo bar has been continuous. Mr. Brady belongs to the Lucas County, the Ohio State and the American Bar associations and he enjoys in large measure the respect, confidence and goodwill of his contemporaries and colleagues in the profession.

On the 28th of June, 1911, Mr. Brady was united in marriage to Miss Eleanor D. Hicks, a daughter of Charles L. and Ida L. Hicks of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Brady are members of the First Congregational church and Mr. Brady is serving as a member of the board of trustees. He is a republican in his political views and always supports the party at the polls but has never been active as a party worker. He belongs to the Alpha Sigma Phi, a college fraternity, and has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in Masonry, while with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. He is also a member of St. Omer Commandery, Knights Templar, and the Elks. He was formerly president of the University of Michigan Alumni Association in Toledo and he belongs to the Kiwanis Club and to the Chamber of Commerce. He is interested in all that pertains to the city's welfare and upbuilding and holds to high civic standards, his public spirit being manifest in many tangible ways.

TROY A. DAHN

Troy A. Dahn, a representative business man and highly respected citizen of Toledo, exemplifies in his life the spirit of progress and enterprise which has played so important a part in the upbuilding of the city, and as vice president and general manager of the Hein Furniture Manufacturing Company he occupies a prominent position in industrial circles of the Maumee valley. He is one of Toledo's native sons, his birth having occurred in this city on the 15th of June, 1875, and his parents, Frederick H. and Wilhelmina (Fiedeke) Dahn, were of European birth and came to the United States as children. The father became the owner of a farm in Lucas county, Ohio, and later removed to Toledo, where he opened a wood yard, which he conducted successfully for many years. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war, enlisting at the first call for troops, and together with twelve other men from Lucas county he was transferred from Ohio to the Second Kentucky Regiment. Of the original twelve men who joined but three survivors returned to their homes at the end of three years' service. Both Mr. and Mrs. Dahn have passed away. They became the parents of four children, one of whom died in infancy. Those who survive are: Mrs. Augusta Sinning, a resident of Toledo; Adelaide, a teacher in the Hathaway school of this city; and Troy A.

In the acquirement of an education Troy A. Dahn attended the grammar and high schools of Toledo, after which he completed a course in the Davis Business College, and his initial experience along commercial lines was obtained with the Conant Brothers Furniture Company, with which he was connected from the fall of 1892 until 1898. He started as a collector and while acting in that capacity took a course of study with the International Correspondence School of Scranton, Pennsylvania, which enabled him to secure a position in the draughting room of the firm. He next joined the Schauss Brothers Furniture Company as designer and later entered the service of the Edward Frohlich Plate Glass Company, with which he remained until 1900, when he accepted a similar position with the Hein Furniture Manufacturing Company, with which he has since been identified, working his way steadily upward through merit and ability until he now owns a substantial interest in the concern and is filling the offices of vice president and general manager. He is watchful of every indication pointing to success and displays keen sagacity and marked executive force in the management of the business, keeping

it not only in line but rather in the lead of the progressive enterprises of this character.

On September 20, 1900, Mr. Dahn was married to Miss Emma Zurfluh of Toledo, a daughter of John Zurfluh, deceased, who was one of the leading jewelers of Toledo. They have become the parents of a son, Frederick, who was born in 1903 and was graduated from the Waite high school of this city. He is now a sophomore at the University of Michigan.

Mr. Dahn is an earnest and helpful member of the First Reformed church of Toledo, of which he is president and treasurer, and he is also identified with the Reformed church of the United States at Upper Sandusky, Ohio, through the Home for the Aged, of which he is secretary and treasurer. His interests and activities have touched the general interests of society to their benefit and he is a member of the Art Museum of Toledo; is a thirty-second degree Mason and has attained high standing in the order, being past thrice illustrious master of Vistula Council, No. 108, R. & S. M.; Captain General of Toledo Commandery, No. 7, K. T., of which he is a past commander; and Junior Warden of Port Lawrence Lodge, U. D. He is also connected with the Grotto and Shrine and is a director of the Yondota Masonic Building Company of East Toledo and also a member of the building committee for the proposed new Masonic buildings on the west side. He is also an Elk and is likewise identified with the National Commercial Fixtures Association and the Toledo Commerce Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club and the Rotary Club, being a charter member of the last named organization. Industry has been the key which has unlocked for Mr. Dahn the portals of success and his life record is one in which notable business ability and the recognition and utilization of opportunity are well balanced forces. He stands for all those things which count for most in the city's upbuilding and has never lost sight of the high principles which should govern man in his varied relations of life.

CHARLES K. FRIEDMAN

Charles K. Friedman, attorney and counselor at law, who has made for himself a creditable position in professional circles, is even more widely known because of his valuable contribution to interests and activities of public moment. There is no plan or project instituted for the benefit and upbuilding of Toledo, or for the welfare of state and nation, which does not receive his endorsement and to a large degree his active cooperation. Toledo is indebted to him in substantial measure for his work in her behalf and it is characteristic of Mr. Friedman that he studies closely and thoroughly every question that bears upon the general good. When his judgment passes upon the advisability of a course, he never stops short in his efforts until the objective point is reached.

Charles K. Friedman was born in Toledo, January 14, 1873, and is a son of Morris and Fannie (Tyroler) Friedman, both of whom were natives of Austria-Hungary. They came to America in early life. Residing for many years in this city, the father became well known as a cigar manufacturer here and developed a business of very gratifying proportions. Both he and his wife passed away in this city. In their family were five children: Aaron, now living in Toledo; John Henry, of Canton, Ohio; Louis M., who resided at Los Angeles, California, where

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his death occurred in 1923; Mrs. Celia M. Kruckman, also of Toledo; and Charles Knox.

At the usual age Charles Knox Friedman entered the public schools and mastered the work of successive grades until he completed a course in the high school and Manual Training School of this city. A desire to prepare at once for his life work led him to enter the University of Michigan as a law student, for he had determined to devote his attention to law practice, and qualified therefor by a thorough course of instruction at Ann Arbor, where he received his LL. B. degree in 1893, while his LL. M. degree was conferred upon him the following year. Following his graduation he returned to his native city, where he opened a law office and engaged in active practice, making steady advancement in his chosen calling. For nine years he filled the position of assistant city solicitor of Toledo and throughout the remaining period he has given his attention to private law practice. At the same time he has extended his efforts along commercial and financial lines and is a director of the H. M. & R. Shoe Company of Toledo, having one of the largest shoe establishments of the city, and is a director of the Loew's Valentine Theatre Company. He is also connected with some realty companies and his name is on the directorate list of the Landman-Griffith Company and the Toledo Mortgage Company. His knowledge of corporation law and the soundness of his judgment in all business affairs have made his cooperation and assistance a valuable asset in the conduct of all the different business concerns with which he is identified.

On the 1st of June, 1898, Mr. Friedman was united in marriage to Miss Nuna Landman of Toledo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Landman. Mr. and Mrs. Friedman have two children: Stanley M., who was born in this city November 6, 1899, is a graduate of the Toledo high school, an A. B. graduate of the University of Michigan, received his LL. B. degree at Harvard, and was admitted to the bar in Ohio in 1922. During the World war he was a member of the Students' Army Training Corps at Fort Sheridan, Illinois; James K., the younger son, born in Toledo, October 15, 1904, is attending the University of Michigan.

Mr. Friedman belongs to the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations, and is also a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He belongs to the Masonic order, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and the beneficent principles of Masonry find expression in his life. While his law practice has steadily grown in volume and importance he has never allowed it to monopolize his time and efforts but has found opportunity to aid and cooperate in many public projects looking to the benefit and upbuilding of the city and state. He acted as president of the Collingwood Avenue temple and president of the Toledo Federation of Jewish Charities. He was manager of the salvage department of the Toledo Chapter of the Red Cross during the World war, is now on the Board of Trustees of Toledo Chapter, Red Cross, is chairman of the Toledo Americanization Board, is a trustee of the Social Service Federation, a member of the Community Recreation Commission of Toledo, and a member of the board of trustees of the Glengarry Country Club. His work is, indeed, far-reaching and resultant. He has closely studied the grave economic and sociological problems before the country, has stood most stanchly and helpfully for Americanization work and for those organized efforts which are bringing into the lives of the less fortunate something of the sunshine and joy that is known to those to whom fate has been seemingly kinder. He has recognized the value of recreation in those communities where there is little opportunity for play and thoroughly

understands the principle that if life produces well-rounded development, the individual must not only work well but play well. Toledo's progress in this direction owes not a little to his earnest, zealous and effective efforts.

GEORGE W. RITTER

George W. Ritter of the law firm of Ritter & Hutchens has practiced in Toledo since 1913, bringing to the starting point of his professional career in this city the experience gained from six years of successful practice in Sandusky. Mr. Ritter was born in Vermilion, Ohio, June 30, 1886, and is a son of John and Louise (Hauth) Ritter, who became residents of this state in early life. The father was a successful merchant tailor at Vermilion, Ohio, for many years, continuing in business there to the time of his death in 1903. The mother is still living.

The early boyhood of George W. Ritter was largely devoted to the mastery of those branches of learning which were taught in the public schools of Vermilion, while later he entered Baldwin University. He attended the Cleveland Law School as a law student and won his professional degree in 1906. The following year he located in Sandusky, Ohio, where he opened an office and remained in practice until 1913, when he located in Toledo. He is well known to the profession throughout the state, belonging to the Cleveland and Toledo Bar associations, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association.

On the 30th of June, 1911, he was married to Miss Mary Fowler of Berlin Heights, Ohio, a daughter of Frederick S. and Maude A. Fowler. Mr. and Mrs. Ritter are members of the First Congregational church. Mr. Ritter is a republican. He is a member of the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Inverness Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce.

ALLEN JOSHUA SENEY

Allen Joshua Seney, senior partner of the law firm of Seney, Alexander & Donovan of Toledo, was born in Kenton, Ohio, on the 25th of March, 1875, and is a son of Henry W. and Mary Elizabeth (Cullom) Seney. His father was a distinguished jurist of this state, serving as judge of the third judicial circuit court from 1884 to 1895, and following his retirement from the bench resumed the private practice of law.

Allen J. Seney received his education in the public schools of Kenton and when he had completed the high school course there entered Oberlin College and afterward attended Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. Thus qualified for further educational training of an advanced order, he entered Cornell University and afterward matriculated in the University of Michigan and received his Bachelor of Philosophy degree upon graduation with the class of 1896. He prepared for the bar as a student in the law department of the Ohio State University and upon him was conferred the LL. B. degree, when he completed his course as a member of the class of 1899. He has been admitted to practice in all of the state and federal courts and the supreme court of the United States and for a time gave his attention to general practice in North Baltimore, Ohio, where he continued from 1899 until

1904. In the latter year he came to Toledo and through the intervening period of eighteen years has steadily advanced in his profession. In the year of his arrival here he formed a partnership with Henry W. Seney and Curtis T. Johnson, this relation being maintained until 1907. Through the two succeeding years he was in partnership with his father, under the firm name of Henry W. and Allen J. Seney. In 1915 he was made first assistant prosecuting attorney of Lucas county and continued to occupy the position until 1919. In that year he entered upon a two years' term as prosecuting attorney of Lucas county and his course was highly satisfactory to the general public, by reason of the thoroughness and capability with which he defended the legal rights of the county in many important cases. He then retired from office to resume the private practice of law.

On the 24th of June, 1899, Mr. Seney was married to Miss Florence Dean Cope of Columbus, Ohio, and they have two children, Henry W. (II), and Mary Cope. Mr. Seney is identified with the Sons of the American Revolution. He belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and his name is likewise on the membership rolls of the Toledo Club, of the Commerce Club and of the Phi Delta Phi.

CHARLES LUKENS, M. D.

For twenty-two years Dr. Charles Lukens has been numbered among the medical practitioners of Toledo and as a specialist in the treatment of diseases pertaining to the eye, ear, nose and throat he has won recognition. He was born on a farm near West Mansfield, Ohio, February 10, 1869, and his parents, John F. and Louisa K. (Swartz) Lukens, were also natives of this state, in which they spent their lives. The father was a surveyor and civil engineer by profession but later took up scientific farming, being a man of versatile talents and varied interests. His demise occurred in 1903, when he was eighty years of age, and the mother passed away in 1910, at the age of eighty-three.

Charles Lukens, their only child, attended the country schools and later became a student at the Central Ohio College, completing his course in 1887. He then devoted some time to educational work and afterward entered Starling Medical College, now the medical department of the Ohio State University, from which he was graduated in 1892. He began his professional career at Bellefontaine, Ohio, where he maintained an office for three years, later going to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for postgraduate study. In 1899 and 1900 he was resident surgeon in Wills Eye Hospital of that city, and in the latter year he came to Toledo, where he has since practiced his specialty. He is a member of the staff of Flower Hospital of this city and subordinates all other interests to the demands of his profession.

On the 27th of September, 1893, Dr. Lukens was married at East Liberty, in Logan county, Ohio, to Miss Lotta Painter, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Painter, and two children have been born of this union, a son and a daughter. John Alfred Lukens, the elder, was born in Logan county in 1897 and after completing a course in the Scott high school of Toledo he entered the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1922, with the M. D. degree. He is now an interne at the Long Island College Hospital of Brooklyn, New York. Ruth Lotta Lukens was born in Toledo in 1904 and was graduated from Scott high school in this city in 1922.

Dr. Lukens is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a member of the Inverness Club and is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Shriner. He is a member of the Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County, of which he was president for two years during the World war and materially helped mobilize the profession, thoroughly appreciating the fact that the medical profession could win the war by keeping our men healthy. He is also a member of the Ohio State Medical Association, which honored him with its presidency in 1920-21. He is a fellow of the American Medical Association, of the American College of Surgeons, of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Oto-Laryngology, and has been granted a certificate by the American Board of Ophthalmic Examiners.

S. LLOYD McAFEE

S. Lloyd McAfee, who conducts the general agency for the Union Central Life Insurance Company at Toledo, was born in this city, a son of John Patrick McAfee, who for years was general agent for the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati. The son, after leaving the Central high school, in which he had completed the regular public school curriculum, entered the Ohio Wesleyan College. His business training was received under his father's direction, for when his textbooks were put aside he became associated with his father in the life insurance business and in 1908 he took over the active management of the general agency of the Union Central Life Insurance Company at Toledo and has since been in charge of the business here, his father having been associated with him in an advisory capacity until a short time before his death, which occurred in November, 1914. Mr. S. Lloyd McAfee has made the Toledo office one of the largest the Union Central Life Insurance Company has in the United States. A business of substantial proportions has been developed, and the name of McAfee has long been associated with all that is most reliable and progressive in insurance interests.

Mr. McAfee was united in marriage to Miss Bertha E. Grout of Toledo and they are parents of two children, Dorothy Mary and S. Lloyd, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. McAfee are widely and favorably known in this city, where they have spent their lives and where their circle of friends is almost coextensive with the circle of their acquaintance.

FRANK J. MANTON

Frank J. Manton, who for twenty-one years has been engaged in the fruit and produce business as a wholesale dealer, conducting his interests under the name of the Manton Brothers Company, was born in Toledo, October 12, 1877, and is a son of John and Bridget Manton, the former a contractor. He was educated in public and private schools and in young manhood secured employment in a wholesale fruit house. In this line of business he has continued and there is no phase of the trade with which he is not thoroughly familiar. In 1901 he organized the Manton Brothers Company for the conduct of a wholesale fruit and produce business, being joined by his brother, John W., who was associated with him in the

enterprise until his death in 1921. At that time Frank J. Manton admitted another brother, Byron, to a partnership and their interests are conducted under the old firm style.

On the 10th of June, 1904, Mr. Manton was united in marriage to Miss Julia Klingler of Toledo. He greatly enjoys athletic sports and baseball to which he turns for recreation. He also belongs to the Knights of Columbus, which indicates his belief in the teachings of the Catholic church and his membership therein, for the fraternal order admits to its membership only those of that faith. In his business he displays a spirit of marked enterprise and progress and has made steady advancement since he started out on his own account. He is not only at the head of the Manton Brothers Company but is also a director of the Toledo Glove Company, a manufacturing concern. He has ever been actuated by a laudable ambition and his determination and energy have carried him far on the road to success.

A. J. JOHNSON

Toledo is justly proud of her native sons, whose loyalty, public spirit and initiative have played a most significant part in the upbuilding and development of the city, and in this connection A. J. Johnson is deserving of particular mention. He is a member of a family which was established in Toledo seventy-five years ago and ranks with the leading coal dealers of the city, while he is also connected with other business enterprises of importance, all of which profit by his cooperation and his progressive spirit. He was born January 12, 1869, and his parents were Andrew J. and Rose (Fournier) Johnson, the former a native of Holland and the latter of Belgium. At an early period in their lives they came to the United States and in 1847 they established their home in Toledo. The father was a carpenter by trade and conducted a large business as a builder and contractor, while later he became a millwright. He was a very successful business man and was widely and favorably known in this city, to whose improvement and advancement he made substantial contribution. He passed away in 1914 and the mother's demise occurred in 1912.

A. J. Johnson attended parochial schools of Toledo and his initial business experience was obtained as an accountant in the local offices of the New York Central Railroad Company, with which he remained for fourteen years. After leaving the service of that road he became city salesman for the Seyfang Coal Company and for six years continued in their employ, gaining a comprehensive knowledge of the business. He then decided to invest his savings in a similar enterprise and in association with his brother, A. L. Johnson, organized the Johnson Coal Company, which they have since successfully operated, while they also conduct the Johnson Coal & Wood Yard, of which the subject of this review is president and a director. He displays keen sagacity and marked executive ability in the management of the business and occupies a position of leadership in this field. He has also extended his efforts in other directions and is a director of the Troy Oil & Gas Company, the Merritt Jewelry Company, The Toledo Glove Manufacturing Company, and the Doan Motor Car Company. He is also president of the village of Lakewood, Michigan, and gives his best efforts to everything that he undertakes, continually broadening the scope of his activities with good results.

Mr. Johnson was married on the 25th of September, 1894, to Miss Matilda E. Burkhart, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Burkhart of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have become the parents of three children, the eldest of whom is Clifford A. Johnson. He was born in 1895 and acquired his education in the parochial schools of Toledo and St. John's College. He is an enterprising young business man and acts as general manager of the Johnson Coal & Wood Yards. He enlisted for service in the World war and for eighteen months was engaged in active military duty. He married Miss Beatrice Weber of Toledo, and they have three daughters, Marjorie, Marylin and Madalin; Roger L. Johnson was born in 1899, attended the parochial schools and St. John's College and is now assistant general manager of the Johnson Coal & Wood Yard; Junior A. Johnson was born in 1905 and is a student at St. John's College in this city.

Mr. Johnson is a Roman Catholic in religious faith and in the Knights of Columbus he has taken the fourth degree. He is an Elk and his public spirit finds expression in his membership with the Chamber of Commerce. He is also connected with the Lions Club and is serving as president of the Toledo Wholesale Coal Trades Association. He has never deviated from the course which the world regards as right in the relations between man and his fellowmen and has always held closely to the rules which govern strict integrity and unabating industry. He is a live factor in his city and his genuine personal worth has won for him the stanch friendship of many.

FRED CHRISTEN

Fred Christen, a sheet metal manufacturer, owning and controlling one of the largest business interests of this character in Toledo, was born in Baden, Germany, June 5, 1873, and is a son of Jacob Frederick and Solomea (Schneider) Christen. The father was a fruit farmer of Germany, specializing in the production of grapes in that country, and never came to America.

Fred Christen pursued his education in the public schools of his native country and left Germany in 1890 to try his fortune in the new world. Crossing the Atlantic, he made his way at once to Toledo, where he arrived in the month of June, and here he learned the sheet metal trade, becoming a most thorough and efficient workman and gradually advancing until he established business on his own account. He is now at the head of one of the largest enterprises of the kind in Toledo, doing all kinds of sheet metal work and roofing under the firm style of Fred Christen & Sons. Their plant is located at Nos. 714 to 724 George street and furnishes employment to thirty workmen.

Mr. Christen married Miss Fredericka Lay, a native of Germany, who came to Toledo in 1891. They have four children: Clarence, Arthur, Edna and Walter. The two eldest sons are associated with their father in business.

In his fraternal relations Mr. Christen is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is also identified with the Sheet Metal Association, with the Ohio and the National Sheet Metal Associations and with the Toledo Builders Association. He takes active interest in these organizations, which are formed to further the interests of trade and to promote standards along their particular line of work. Mr. Christen has never had occasion to regret his determination to come to the new world, which he did when

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a youth of seventeen years, for here he has found the business opportunities which he sought and in their utilization has gained a place among the representative and prosperous business men of his adopted city.

SAMUEL KOHN

For forty-three years Samuel Kohn has been a member of the Toledo bar, engaging in general practice with good success. He has also figured prominently in connection with public affairs and his influence has ever been on the side of law and order, of progress and improvement. Born in Toledo, April 24, 1856, he is a son of Simon and Ernestine Kohn, the former at one time an ice merchant in this city.

Samuel Kohn was educated in the public schools, a graduate from the high school with the class of 1873. He read law in the office of J. C. Coffman and on the 17th of March, 1879, was admitted to the bar. Since that time he has engaged in general practice, trying all kinds of cases and trying them well. For two years he filled the position of assistant county prosecuting attorney and for a similar period was assistant city solicitor. He has also filled other positions of honor and trust. For four years he was a member of the board of education and for two years served as its president, doing effective work to advance the public school interests of the city, being instrumental in introducing various reforms and progressive methods whereby the work of the schools was rendered of more practical value and service in preparing the young for life's responsibilities and duties. Mr. Kohn was also a member of the sinking fund board of Toledo for six years and then resigned his position. The major part of his time and attention has always been given to his law practice. He is a member of the Lucas County Bar Association, of which he served as president and also of the Ohio Bar Association.

On the 30th of December, 1890, Mr. Kohn was married to Miss Lucy Brag McCracken of Cincinnati, Ohio, and they have a son, Ralph Samuel. Mr. Kohn and his family are favorably known in this city, where he has spent his life, now covering two-thirds of a century. The sterling worth of his character and his devotion to public duty are recognized by all, while his close conformity to the highest standards and ethics of the legal profession have won him the high regard, confidence and goodwill of his colleagues and contemporaries in the practice of law.

MILO JOSEPH WARNER

Milo Joseph Warner, associated with the law firm of Doyle & Lewis of Toledo, was born in Wood county, near Lime City, Ohio, November 11, 1891, and is a son of Levi S. and Mary Ellen (Brownsberger) Warner. He was thirteen years of age when the family removed to Toledo, where he has since made his home, and here he pursued his preliminary education in the public schools. He afterward entered the Ohio State University and graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1913. He then remained in the State University as a law student and gained his LL. B. degree in 1916. Following his graduation and his admission to

the bar he became associated with the firm of Doyle & Lewis and continues in this connection. While one of the younger representatives of the Toledo bar he has already gained a place and prominence that many an older representative of the profession might well envy, and what he has already accomplished indicates that his future career will be well worth watching.

On the 1st of June, 1917, Mr. Warner was united in marriage to Miss Dorothy Casad Bennett of El Paso, Texas, and they have become parents of two children; Milo Joseph, Jr., who was born August 15, 1918; and Donald Wesley, born December 13, 1920. Two days after his marriage Mr. Warner was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Regular Army cavalry for service in the World war. He had been previously for seven years a member of Troop B of the Ohio National Guard, thus identified with the cavalry from 1910 until 1917. His regiment, the Eighteenth United States Cavalry, was converted into light field artillery for the period of the war and designated as Seventy-sixth Field Artillery, Third Division. On the 23d of August, 1917, he was commissioned temporary captain and later was placed in command of Battery B, Seventy-sixth Field Artillery of the Third Division. Sent overseas, he went into the front lines July 6, 1918, and was severely wounded on the 28th of July, 1918, at Le Charmel, France, in the Aisne-Marne drive. In August, 1919, he was retired from the regular service with the permanent rank of first lieutenant.

Mr. Warner belongs to the American Legion and during the year 1923 was chairman of the Lucas County American Legion. He is actively interested in the purposes of that organization to promote Americanization and to uphold the flag of the country just as unsullied in times of peace as in days of war. He belongs to the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity and to the Pi Kappa Alpha general fraternity; is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, and is also identified with the American Bar Association.

WILLIAM H. ROOSE

William H. Roose, who for a third of a century was numbered among Toledo's successful attorneys, passed away on the 28th of October, 1922, when sixty-four years of age. He was born in Stark county, Ohio, March 18, 1858, on a farm which was also the birthplace of his father, John Roose, who devoted his life to agricultural pursuits. John Roose married Miss Harriet Zentz, also a native of Stark county, and they always remained residents of Ohio save for a period of about eight years which was spent in Indiana. They were the parents of ten children, four of whom are deceased, William H. Roose being one of them. Those who survive are: Lorenzo D., of Topeko, Kansas; Andrew, a resident of Hillsdale, Michigan; J. Frank, who is living in Topeka; Mrs. Ida A. Wineland of Hillsdale; Mrs. Nettie E. Clifton, who is living in Williams county, Ohio; and Albert P., of Garrett, Indiana.

William H. Roose attended the grammar schools of his native county and the high school at West Unity, Ohio, afterward becoming a law student at the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1885, with the LL.B. degree. He began his professional career at Bryan, Ohio, where he remained for four years, and in 1889 he came to Toledo, where he engaged in practice to the time of his demise, specializing in municipal bonds. He was regarded as an au-

thority in this field and as the years passed his clientele steadily increased. He was well versed in all branches of jurisprudence and ever conformed his practice to the highest standards of professional ethics.

On the 26th of August, 1890, at Perrysburg, Ohio, Mr. Roose was married to Miss Emily J. Adams, a daughter of Rev. G. A. Adams, who for fifty years was a minister of the Presbyterian church. Mr. and Mrs. Roose have four children: Gertrude, the eldest, is a native of Toledo and acquired her education in the public schools of Perrysburg and at Columbia University of New York city; Marian was born in Perrysburg, and after completing her public school training she became a student at Wellesley College and later entered the law department of the University of Michigan, which conferred upon her the LL. B. degree; George A., the only son in the family, is also a native of Perrysburg and obtained his academic training at Oberlin College, this state, while later he entered the Harvard Law School, from which he was graduated in 1922, with the LL. B. degree. During the World war he enlisted in the United States army and served for two years in Italy; Frances A., the youngest of the children, was born in Perrysburg and after completing her course in one of the high schools of Toledo she attended Oberlin College. She is now a student at the University of Michigan, being a member of the class of 1924. The family reside in Perrysburg and for eleven years Mr. Roose was a member of its board of education, in which connection he rendered valuable service to the community. He was a Presbyterian in religious faith and a member of the Michigan University Club and the Ohio State Bar Association. He made continuous progress in his profession, and natural talent and acquired ability won for him a place among the strong and able lawyers at the bar of Toledo, while his genuine personal worth gained for him the high esteem of many friends.

JOHN M. ORMOND

John M. Ormond has long been a Toledo representative of that profession, which has ever been the conservator of life and liberty, right and property and with the work of the Toledo courts has been actively identified. Possessing comprehensive knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence he steadily worked his way upward at the bar and in his later years he has also become connected with various important business interests, being now identified with several leading corporations of this city and elsewhere. John M. Ormond was born in Sharon Mercer county, Pennsylvania, his parents being the Rev. Benjamin Kelso and Mary (McFarland) Ormond. The father was for many years a distinguished representative of the Presbyterian ministry, who gave his life for the benefit of his fellowmen and largely influenced the moral progress of northwestern Ohio. He was a native of Cecil, Washington county, Pennsylvania, and a son of Alexander Poe and Jane Kelso Ormond, who were likewise born in the Keystone state. The grandfather was a descendant of a prominent ruling family of the North of Ireland and the grandmother was descended from the Kelso family of Kelso, Scotland, while her father was an officer in Washington's army in the war for independence.

During his youthful days Dr. Benjamin Kelso Ormond largely resided in Pittsburgh and vicinity and acquired a liberal education through his own efforts, attending the academies of Indiana and Eldersridge, Pennsylvania, and also pursuing a four years' course in the Washington and Jefferson College, from which

he was graduated. Having determined to devote his life to the work of the ministry, he then entered the United Presbyterian Theological Seminary of Allegheny and following the completion of his course there he took advance work in Hebrew, which constituted the foundation of his thorough knowledge of the Bible. He was licensed to preach in 1859 and afterward became pastor of the United Presbyterian church at Sharon, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, where he labored for twenty-three years. He then entered the Presbyterian church and while on a tour of the west organized the church in Pueblo, Colorado. He afterward settled in Wooster, Ohio, where he became a trustee of the university and took an active interest in the affairs of that institution. He served as pastor of the Creston and Jackson churches and finally accepted a call to the Third Presbyterian church of Toledo, where he labored for thirteen years, his efforts proving a most potent force in advancing the moral progress of the state. His political allegiance was stanchly given to the republican party and he was a warm admirer of its distinguished leaders: Lincoln, McKinley and Roosevelt. He wedded Mary McFarland, who with their four children; John M. Ormond, Mrs. John R. Calder, Mrs. Frank Willard Thomas and Miss M. Georgia Ormond, survived the husband and father and still reside in Toledo. Of Dr. Ormond a contemporary writer has said: "He was a genial gentleman of the old school, kind and courteous to all and ever ready to lend a helping hand. His love for children and ready sympathy for his fellowmen endeared him to many. His never failing optimistic outlook on life made him a happy, hopeful inspiration to all who knew him. His interest in public affairs never waned, his faith in God never faltered, his devotion to his Master never ceased, even to the last day of his advanced years."

Having completed a course of study in the Sharon, Pennsylvania, high school with the class of 1882, John M. Ormond afterward matriculated in the University of Wooster at Wooster, Ohio, and is numbered among its alumni of 1887. He next became a law student in the University of Michigan and was there graduated in 1889, with the degrees of Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Philosophy. The following year he was admitted to the Ohio bar and soon afterward located in Toledo, where subsequently he opened an office in the old Law building, and there remained for about two years. He next established his office in the Nasby building but three years later opened headquarters in the Spitzer building, becoming one of the first tenants in that imposing structure. He soon won prominence as a lawyer not in the more spectacular criminal court proceedings but in connection with civil law, of which he has broad, comprehensive and accurate knowledge. He has long enjoyed a large clientage but since 1905 has given a considerable portion of his time and attention to corporation law, numbering among his clients some of the leading corporate concerns of Toledo and elsewhere. As he has prospered he has made judicious investment in real estate, owning considerable holdings in both farm and city property. Moreover, he has established his own home in the village of Maumee, his residence being a fine old colonial mansion, situated on historic grounds. While improving the grounds about his place he unearthed a number of relics such as old coins of ancient date, together with mementos of aboriginal occupation. He has long been a close student of history, particularly that pertaining to the Maumee valley and he was among those who most earnestly advocated the cause of preserving the old Lucas county courthouse at Maumee. He gave liberally of his time and means toward the establishment of the public library at Maumee and was instrumental in securing a donation of ten thousand dollars from the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

On the 1st of October, 1890, Mr. Ormond was united in marriage to Miss Lucy Jameson of Warren, Ohio, a daughter of Biven Jameson, now deceased, who was one of the honored residents of that place. Her mother bore the maiden name of Sarah Blair and represented an old Massachusetts family. Mrs. Ormond was born and reared in Warren and in 1887 was graduated from the Lake Erie Seminary at Painesville, Ohio. She is a charter member of the Sorosis Club of Toledo. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ormond attend the First Presbyterian church of Maumee, Ohio. Mr. Ormond gives his political endorsement to the republican party and does everything in his power to promote its growth and secure its success. He has membership in the Toledo Commerce Club, belongs to the Northern Light Lodge, No. 40, F. & A. M., the Ancient Accepted Scotish Rite, Valley of Toledo, and Toledo Commandery, No. 7, Knights Templars. He also belongs to the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and along strictly professional lines is connected with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations. Throughout his life he has held to the highest ethical standards of the profession and has long merited the honor and position accorded him as one of the foremost representatives of the Toledo bar.

WILLIAM G. DICE, M. D.

Dr. William G. Dice, physician of Toledo, has followed a course contrary to the advice of Horace Greeley, who said: "Go west, young man, go west," inasmuch as he comes to this city from Missouri, seeking the opportunities of the east rather than of the district lying toward the Pacific. Dr. Dice was born in Carroll county, Missouri, June 21, 1870, and is a son of Dr. James P. and Margaret (Gordon) Dice, the former a native of Poland, Ohio, while the latter was born in Mercer county, Pennsylvania. Following the Civil war the father removed to Missouri and there resided until 1876, when he returned to his native state, settling at Xenia, where he engaged in the successful practice of medicine to the time of his death, which occurred in 1921, when he was seventy-seven years of age. Dr. and Mrs. James P. Dice were parents of two children, of whom one son, Dr. S. D. Dice, passed away in California in 1920.

Dr. William G. Dice, the only survivor of the family, was a pupil in the public schools of Xenia, Ohio, where he also pursued his high school course, being graduated with the class of 1887. He next entered Westminster College of Pennsylvania and subsequently Princeton University, being there graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1893. He thus acquired a broad and liberal classical education to serve as the foundation upon which to rear the superstructure of professional knowledge. He studied at Columbia University of New York city and was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1896, after which he became house physician in the General Memorial Hospital at New York city, where he remained for two years. He later traveled for six months in Europe, visiting the various medical centers of the old world, and came to Toledo on the 10th of September, 1900. Here he opened an office at No. 240 Michigan street and has remained at this location throughout the intervening period, covering more than twenty-two years, confining his practice to obstetrics and children's diseases. He belongs to the American Association of Obstetricians, Gynecologists and Abdominal Surgeons, and he is a member of the Academy of Medicine of Toledo, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association. He is now serving on the staffs of Mercy

Hospital, Flower Hospital, and Toledo Hospital as obstetrician and is an acknowledged authority upon this branch of medical practice.

On the 17th of April, 1902, Dr. Dice was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude McClure, a daughter of Frank and Sarah J. McClure of Xenia, Ohio. They have two children: Jane, who was born in Toledo in 1907 and is attending the Smead School for Girls; and William, born in 1910, who is a public school pupil. The parents are members of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and while his profession makes heavy demands upon his time and energies, Dr. Dice also finds opportunities to aid and support those projects which have their root in a progressive spirit.

E. E. FRANTZ

The present-day efficiency of modern business is in no small measure due to the business systems and anaylses which accountancy has evolved. Modern business does not guess—it has the facts, and it is through the knowledge of facts that our great financial, industrial and mercantile concerns have progressed. The business man who really wants to know his own business, its strong points that he may push them into greater strength, and its weak points that he may correct them, finds the accountant indispensable. E. E. Frantz & Company, with general offices at 621-622-623 Nicholas building, and a branch office at Cleveland, Ohio, with an Ohio certified public accountant in charge, has, by the personnel of its organization, developed a service which is especially designed to be of great benefit and value to business interests. E. E. Frantz, head of E. E. Frantz & Company, was born near Watertown, South Dakota, May 17, 1890. He was one of a family of twelve children, pursued a public school education and is unusually well fitted, both through talents and trainings, to practice in a satisfactory fashion in the field of accountancy. He is a graduate of the Western Normal College of Shenandoah, Iowa, of the year 1909, following which Mr. Frantz spent some four years teaching higher accountancy at Fort Smith, Arkansas. He further made it a point to round out his training by working in a diversity of industrial and commercial channels, matching theoretical knowledge with practical application, keeping the one distinct purpose in mind of engaging in the profession of accountancy as his life work. Mr. Frantz selected Toledo as the field of best opportunities, owing to its diversity of industry and commerce, and his faith in the city as a future great industrial center held his attention and conviction as far back as 1913.

E. E. Frantz rendered excellent service to the government during the World war, being selected to conduct the audits at Camp Sherman. Mr. Frantz's offices were first located on the third floor of the Nicholas building, and with the increase in his practice, the present quarters at Nos. 621 to 623 Nicholas building are none too spacious for the eight people serving with the E. E. Frantz Company. There are many factors of interest to business executives, office men, as well as professional men, in considering the services available at the hands of E. E. Frantz & Company. As a tax consultant and in the matter of compiling income tax reports, the exercising of interpretations on income tax laws and their application are matters that have been given a pertinent study by Mr. Frantz, to the end that his services on tax problems are being found of real value to a very consistent following, not only in Toledo but throughout the state of Ohio. Mr. Frantz has pursued the study of higher accountancy until he is unquestionably the best fitted man for his vocation

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in the city of Toledo. He possesses degrees in accounting, is a fellow member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, and a member of other accountancy societies.

E. E. Frantz & Company retain legal counsel for corporation and tax purposes through the services of Morton C. Seeley, a well known attorney of Toledo. E. E. Frantz & Company substantiate their federal tax service through the bulletins and special services of the Corporation Trust Company, and other nationally recognized authorities on all phases of tax decisions and application. The painstaking care that is noticeable in the activities of E. E. Frantz & Company in rendering a service of value to clients is shown by the "Tax and Business" bulletins that are prepared monthly by E. E. Frantz and mailed to his patrons and others interested, giving business men the meat of important tax decisions, etc. E. E. Frantz & Company, in view of their associates, are in a well defined position to serve in matters of appraisals. Mr. Frantz is a firm exponent of the policy of having monthly audits and accountancy surveys made on a business enterprise, in view of the practice of being able within a short period easily to detect any losses or financial discords so frequently encountered at unexpected or trying moments in the progress or decline of a concern, and the comparative monthly statements and graphic charts as compiled through the systems followed by E. E. Frantz & Company quickly act as barometers on the business itself. In matters of certified financial reports, corporation work, court cases, etc., Mr. Frantz takes keen personal pride in demonstrating the abilities of his organization and thoroughness of its practices. With a background of many years in industry and commerce, Mr. Frantz has unusual characteristics to his credit in matters of cost system installation, the building up of routines and the establishment of well defined forms, permitting a mathematical record of operations, expense and revenue, involved in any manufacturing or industrial enterprise; in fact, some three years of his time was devoted to the finding of a simplified system on accounting, the results of which his records show some of his clients report routine work reduced twenty-five per cent after installation. E. E. Frantz & Company maintain a traveling representative in the territory tributary to Toledo, and it is an added credential to this Toledo firm of accountants that its good name is bringing patronage from points other than Toledo.

In 1917 Mr. Frantz was married to Miss Mabel Renz and they reside at No. 1137 London square. He is a Lutheran in his religious faith and a Mason in his fraternal relations. He belongs also to the Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Post, American Legion, and to other organizations.

MICHAEL FIORITTO

One of the most successful business enterprises of Toledo is the Art Mosaic & Tile Company, which was founded by Michael Fioritto thirteen years ago and has since enjoyed a continuous and prosperous growth, owing to the capable management and well-directed efforts of the men at its head. Mr. Fioritto is a native of Italy. He was born in the beautiful city of Venice on the 12th of August, 1881, a son of A. and Elizabeth Bean (Rosa) Fioritto, who were also born in that part of Italy, in which the father spent his life, devoting his attention to the stone mason's trade. The mother subsequently came to the United States, making her way to Toledo, where she continued to reside until her death, which occurred in 1917.

Mr. and Mrs. Fioritto were the parents of two children: Walter, who passed away in this city; and Michael.

Michael Fioritto acquired his education in his native land and chose as his life work the art mosaic and tile industry, serving an apprenticeship to that trade, which he followed in his native land until 1899. When eighteen years of age he sought the opportunities offered an ambitious, energetic young man in a new and rapidly developing country and after reaching the United States he continued in the business, working for others until 1909. He then decided to establish an independent concern of this nature and is now part owner of the Art Mosaic & Tile Company, his business associates being R. E. Wright and F. J. Burgenstein. They import much of the tiling used in the industry and owing to the high quality of their work the business has become one of large dimensions, requiring approximately two hundred employes in its operation. Mr. Fioritto is an acknowledged expert at his trade and displays initiative, sound judgment and marked executive ability in the management of his business interests, adhering closely to the rules which govern strict and unswerving integrity.

At Venice, Italy, on the 16th of February, 1909, Mr. Fioritto was married to Miss Marcolina Pontello, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Pontello, both of whom are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Fioritto have one child, Elizabeth Fioritto, who was born in Toledo in 1910. They are communicants of the Roman Catholic church and Mr. Fioritto is a republican in his political views. He is a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants & Manufacturers Association. America has been to him the land of opportunity. While it is certain that success is not to be had here for the asking, it is equally certain that industry wins its reward and that diligence and determination always count as forces in advancement. Through the employment of these agencies he has steadily progressed and Toledo now numbers him among its leading business men. With deep love for his native land, he possesses a still stronger attachment for the country of his adoption and in thought, spirit and interests he is thoroughly American.

GENERAL CEILAN MILO SPITZER

General Ceilan Milo Spitzer left the indelible impress of his business ability and public spirit upon northwestern Ohio and there still stand as monuments to his resourcefulness, power and business capacity some of the finest office structures in Toledo. As a merchant, banker and in other connections he contributed in notable measure to the material development of this section of the state and the worth of his work was widely acknowledged.

Ceilan Milo Spitzer came to Ohio from New York, his birth having occurred in Batavia of the Empire state on the 2d of November, 1849. He came of a distinguished and honored ancestry, being a great-grandson of Dr. Ernestus De Spitzer, while other representatives of the family left their impress upon the history of the localities and states in which they lived. His parents were Aaron Bovee and Laura Maria (Perkins) Spitzer, the latter a descendant of James Draper of Roxbury, Massachusetts, and Quartermaster John Perkins of Ipswich, Massachusetts, who were the first of their respective families in America. Nathaniel Perkins, the great-grandfather of General Spitzer, served as aide-de-camp to Washington during the Revolutionary war before he had attained his majority. A great-great-great-great-

grandfather of General Spitzer was Hendricks Cornelius Van Buren, who served as a soldier in the Indian war of 1663 and was stationed at Fort Cralo in Papshire. He was also one of the ancestors of President Martin Van Buren. Through the maternal line General Spitzer also traced his ancestry through five generations to Jacob Janse Schermerhorn, who was the founder of the family in America bearing his name and who emigrated from Waterland, Holland, in 1636, settling at Beverswick in the New Netherlands, where he was a man of wealth and prominence. He died in Schenectady, New York, in 1688. General Spitzer was indeed fortunate in having back of him an ancestry honorable and distinguished and was happy in that his lines of life were cast in harmony therewith. Like his forbears he embraced the opportunities that came to him not only for the upbuilding of his own fortune but for the development of the country and northwestern Ohio is indeed his debtor. He was but two years of age when in 1851 the family home was established in Medina, Ohio, where he became a public school pupil, while later he attended Oberlin College. In 1869 he instituted his business career, being then a young man of twenty years, by purchasing a half interest in a drug store at Seville, Ohio, where he conducted business for two years and then sold out, becoming the active associate of his father in opening the Seville Exchange Bank, under the style of C. M. Spitzer & Company. Success attended the new enterprise from the beginning, soon becoming one of the strong financial concerns in that part of the state. This led to further development along banking lines and in 1877 a branch house was opened at Medina, while in 1878 General Spitzer organized the German-American Bank of Cleveland, which developed so rapidly that Mr. Spitzer purchased the interest of Ludwig Wideman, who had became a partner in 1873. Through the succeeding two years General Spitzer and his father conducted a general banking and investment business in Cleveland and soon made for themselves a place in the financial circles of that city as they had in the other sections in which they operated. In January, 1880, owing to a financial depression the Cleveland bank failed and it was necessary to settle with the creditors on a forty per cent basis. Ten years later the real character of General Spitzer was manifest when voluntarily and without either legal or moral necessity he paid all the bank debts dollar for dollar. This naturally gave him a splendid reputation in the business world but without thought of that General Spitzer had made restitution, happy in the fact that he could reimburse those to whom the bank was indebted.

The bank at Fremont, Ohio, was opened in 1880 by General Spitzer, associated with Ludwig and Jerome P. Wideman, but was sold the following year, at which time the firm of Spitzer, Wideman & Company of Toledo was organized. The following year General Spitzer purchased the interests of his partners and was joined by his cousin, Adelbert L. Spitzer, under the firm style of Spitzer & Company. It was thus that General Spitzer became an active factor in the business interests of this city, with which he was closely associated from that time forward. In 1887 the firm established a branch office in Boston, Massachusetts, which in May, 1899, was removed to 20 Nassau street, New York, so that the firm then entered the financial circles of the American metropolis. On the 1st of February, 1911, a change in partnership led to the adoption of the firm style of Spitzer, Rorick & Company, the General remaining active in the affairs of the corporation until his retirement from business about two years later. In the meantime he had become associated with many banking institutions of Ohio as a stockholder and director and was long recognized as a dominant force in the financial circles of the state. He was also a director of the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad and became the first president of the

Spitzer Building Company, which in 1893 erected the first modern steel fireproof office building in Toledo, to which an annex was added in 1900, the building today containing seven hundred offices. General Spitzer also became president of the Nicholas Building Company, which in 1905 erected the Nicholas building, named in honor of his grandfather. This is a sixteen-story fireproof steel structure, containing more than eight hundred offices. General Spitzer and his cousin, A. L. Spitzer, conducted and owned these buildings jointly for a number of years but in February, 1911, the ownership was divided, General Spitzer taking the Nicholas building and A. L. Spitzer the other.

In the year 1884 General Spitzer was united in marriage to Miss Lilian Cortes McDowell, now deceased, a daughter of Alexander McDowell and a lineal descendant of Elizabeth Penn, sister of William Penn. Mrs. Spitzer was a cousin of General Irvine McDowell, who for many years, or until his death, was stationed at the Presidio in San Francisco, being in command of the entire Pacific coast division of the United States army.

A contemporary biographer has said: "General Spitzer was always a picturesque figure in the financial world. He was the friend of President McKinley, Senator Hanna and other famous men and visited California with President McKinley and Goveror Nash, at which time he assisted in christening the Battleship Ohio at San Francisco." He was a member of the Royal Automobile Club of England and for many years kept a touring car there in order to make continental motor tours, in which he found his chief recreation. He traveled extensively abroad and his beautiful home, Innisfail, on Collingwood avenue in Toledo contained many rare and wonderful specimens of art and curios collected in all parts of the old world. About a year after his retirement from business he erected a beautiful winter home in Los Angeles, said to be one of the finest in southern California and both of his homes were adorned with rare paintings, fine Oriental rugs and many art treasures. In January, 1900, Mr. Spitzer was appointed by Governor George K. Nash, quartermaster general of Ohio with the rank of brigadier general and thus gained the title by which he was generally known. He exercised a wide influence over political and public affairs, although he would never consent to become a candidate for office. His opinions, however, carried great weight in the councils of the republican party and his advice was frequently sought concerning public measures and matters of public policy. He belonged to the Toledo and Country Clubs of Toledo, the Bankers Club of America at New York and the Ohio Society of New York. Death called him February 18, 1919, when he had almost reached the Psalmist's allotted span of threescore years and ten. Life had been to him purposeful and earnest. He had utilized and improved his opportunities and had builded not only for himself but for the public as well and not only for the present but for future generations.

IRVING H. HAMMER, M. D.

Close application, comprehensive study and a conscientious regard for the duties and obligations of the profession have brought Dr. Irving H. Hammer to a prominent place in the ranks of the medical profession at Toledo, where he has successfully practiced for a number of years. He was born in Fremont, Ohio, September 9, 1882, and is a son of Dr. Abraham J. and Ella L. (Grant) Hammer, the latter

also a native of Fremont. The father was born, however, in Bedford county, Pennsylvania, but came to Ohio in early life, settling at Fremont, where he engaged for many years in the practice of medicine. He then removed to Toledo, where he soon built up an extensive practice, and for a quarter of a century he remained an honored representative of the medical fraternity in this city, passing away on April 5, 1912.

Irving H. Hammer was but four years of age when his parents removed to Toledo, so that his early education was acquired in the schools of this city and after finishing his high school course he entered the Ohio Northern University at Ada, while subsequently he attended the University of Michigan and later studied in the Chicago Homeopathic Medical College and the Hahnemann Medical College. He was graduated from the latter institution with the class of 1908, after which he served as interne in the Lucas County Infirmary, where he remained for three years. Since 1911 he has been engaged in private practice.

There is also a military chapter in the life record of Dr. Hammer, inasmuch as in 1901 he became a member of the hospital corps of the Sixth Ohio Regiment, with which he served until honorably discharged in 1902. In the latter year he became identified with Company G of the Second Ohio Regiment and remained with that command until 1904. During the World war he enlisted for service in the Medical Corps and was on duty at Evacuation Camp, No. 44, at Chicago.

On the 3d of January, 1914, in Chicago, Dr. Hammer was married to Miss Elizabeth Schwartzkopf of Toledo, a daughter of Jacob and Emily Schwartzkopf of Bucyrus, Ohio.

Dr. Hammer is a Mason and has advanced to high rank in the order, his membership being in Calumet Lodge, No. 612, F. & A. M.; Calumet Chapter, No. 191, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; St. Omer Commandery, No. 59, K. T.; Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine; and Oton-To-La Grotto. His political support has always been given to the republican party and his religious belief is indicated in his membership in the Methodist Episcopal church. He belongs to the Toledo Academy of Medicine, the Lucas County Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the Ohio Homeopathic Association and the American Institute of Homeopathy.

FRANCIS F. TISCHE

Francis F. Tische, who was until recently vice president of The Hettrick Manufacturing Company, the largest manufacturers of canvas goods in the country, was born in Austin, Minnesota, May 22, 1881, and is a son of Mathew and Mary (Aubrecht) Tische, both of whom are natives of Bohemia. They came to America in 1879, settling in Minnesota, and there the father successfully engaged in farming.

Francis F. Tische attended the public schools of Austin, Minnesota, and afterward became a student in the University of Chicago, from which he was graduated with the Bachelor of Philosophy degree. Soon afterward he secured a position with Montgomery Ward & Company of Chicago, serving in various clerical capacities for several years. Later he was with H. Channing & Company of Chicago as a salesman and in 1911 he came to Toledo, forming a connection with The Hettrick Manufacturing Company, with which he came to be vice president, and from the beginning was sales manager and purchasing manager. The business had been

established in 1893 by William E. Hettrick and was originally conducted in a small frame building thirty by fifty feet, while the sales for the first year amounted to about three thousand dollars. Difficulties and obstacles beset the new enterprise, but in time a substantial trade was established and by 1897 the company had to secure larger quarters, and three floors were rented in a brick building about sixty by ninety feet. After the outbreak of the Spanish-American war the firm secured a substantial contract from the war department for army tents and covers and the rapid increase in the business soon made another removal necessary. The company then began the erection of a building and the factory now consists of five mammoth buildings, affording floor space of seven and a half acres. The most modern equipment has been installed, while special attention has been given to light, air and sanitation. The company has always been most just and equitable in its treatment of employes and has endeavored to make their working hours as pleasant as possible, thus securing their cooperation and goodwill. Workmen receive a liberal wage and the business has been carried steadily forward along most harmonious lines. In 1900 the business was incorporated and has since been conducted under the present style. During the World war the firm supplied the government with army tents and horse covers and the business is now so enormous that it is necessary to purchase the entire output of several mills, the company being one of the largest buyers of canvas goods in the world. The principal part of the business is converting and treating fabrics as received direct from the looms in an unfinished state, to meet the requirements for various purposes of different manufacturers throughout the country. It also manufactures tents, awnings, coal bags, carpenter's aprons, hammocks, horse covers, floor covers, gloves, leggings, belting and in fact, practically everything made of canvas. Its sales now average more than a million dollars a month.

On the 16th of July, 1903, Mr. Tische was united in marriage to Miss Myrtle Hunt of Chicago, who is a graduate of the University of Michigan and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Hunt. Mr. Tische belongs to the Sylvania Golf Club, which indicates much concerning the nature of his recreation. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, but he does not seek nor desire political preferment, concentrating his efforts and attention upon his business affairs. He has made notable progress since starting out for himself. He was well equipped with a liberal education but otherwise had no special advantages. From the start he has steadily advanced, working his way upward until today his connections in the manufacturing circles of Toledo have become very important. He is now spending his time in travel.

HARRY M. BASH

Harry M. Bash, cashier of the Northern National Bank, is one of the well known men in Toledo banking circles. He was born in this city, on the 11th of December, 1872, and is the only living son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Brightman) Bash, both of whom were natives of Ohio. The father afterward came to Toledo, where he engaged in the grain trade, contributing to that intense and well directed activity which made this city one of the great grain and commercial centers of northwestern Ohio. In pioneer times the Bash family was established at Navarre, this state, and it was there that Jacob Bash was born, reared and educated. In early manhood he was proprietor of a dry goods store in Cleveland, Ohio, and dur-

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ing the '50s arrived in Toledo, where he was identified with a number of important business and public enterprises, although he was perhaps best known as a member of the commission firm of J. Bash & Company. He continued actively in the grain business until his death, which occurred October 5, 1872, and he was also an active member of the Toledo Board of Trade and its vice president. His interest in the moral progress of the community was indicated in his membership in the old Trinity Episcopal church. It was in that church, in 1861, that he wedded Elizabeth Brightman, who removed to Toledo from Muskingum county, Ohio. She survived her husband for many years, passing away October 9, 1908, in the faith of the First Congregational church, of which she was long a devoted member. There were three children in the family: One son who died in infancy; a daughter, Nellie F. Bash, who became a successful teacher in the Central school of Toledo, following her thorough educational training in Columbia University of New York city; and Harry M.

Harry M. Bash was educated in the public schools of Toledo, and began his business career as a boy in his teens, when he secured a position in a drug store. His first connection with the Northern National Bank was as a messenger, from which capacity he was advanced at different times until he was appointed to the position of cashier in January, 1914, and has remained in this capacity. He is a courteous and obliging official and is numbered among Toledo's capable men in banking circles.

Mr. Bash is a Mason and has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He is also well known in the Toledo Commerce Club and in clubs which are more strictly social in nature, including the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. His personal qualities make for popularity wherever he is known and many of his warmest friends are acquaintances that date from boyhood.

GALEN F. BOWMAN, M. D.

Dr. Galen F. Bowman is a representative of a family that has long figured prominently in medical circles of Toledo and the consensus of public opinion places him with the leading physicians of the city. He was born at Kansas, Ohio, November 16, 1886, and is a son of Dr. David E. Bowman, who for twenty-eight years has engaged in the practice of medicine in Toledo. The father was born at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, March 14, 1857, and his parents, John and Emma C. (Hipple) Bowman, were also natives of the Keystone state, in which they resided until 1859. They then came to Ohio, acquiring a farm in Sandusky county, and upon that property they spent their remaining years.

Their son, David E. Bowman, attended the grammar and high schools of Fremont, Ohio, and subsequently became a student in the medical department of the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the class of 1891. He began his professional career at Kansas, Ohio, where he remained until 1894, and he has since been located in Toledo. He has built up a large practice and has also been successful as an educator, serving for eight years as professor of obstetrics in the Toledo College of Medicine. His life has been guided by high ideals and his pronounced ability has won for him the esteem and admiration of his professional colleagues and the general public as well.

At Kansas, Ohio, on the 6th of September, 1882, Dr. David E. Bowman was married to Miss Elva Garn, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Garn, who came to this state with their parents, and both are still active, the father having reached the age of eighty-five years, while the mother is eighty-four. Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Bowman have two children: Mrs. Bessie Reifert, who was born in Kansas, Ohio, and is now a resident of Toledo; and Galen F. Dr. David E. Bowman is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Pythias, while his professional relations are with the local, state and national medical associations.

Following his graduation from the Central high school of Toledo, Galen F. Bowman became a student at the preparatory school of the University of Michigan and he afterward entered the medical department of Northwestern University of Chicago, Illinois, from which he received the M. D. degree in 1911. Since 1912 he has maintained an office in this city and through constant reading and close study of the cases that come under his care he is continually broadening his knowledge and promoting his ability. He is now physician for the Toledo public schools and with the passing years his practice has steadily increased as he has had opportunity to demonstrate his skill in the treatment of disease. He has taken postgraduate work at Northwestern University, at the Mayo clinic at Rochester, Minnesota, and at other leading medical centers and is most conscientious and thorough in the discharge of his professional duties. He also has financial interests, being director and vice president of the Genoa Banking Company of Genoa, Ohio.

On the 1st of January, 1912, Dr. Bowman was married to Miss Helen Powers, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Powers of Genoa, Ohio, and they have three children: Helen Margaret, who was born in 1914; Sarah Jane, born in 1916; and Harriet Ann, born in 1919. Dr. Bowman is a member of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church of Toledo and his political support is given to the republican party. He is an exemplary representative of the Masonic fraternity and has crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His public spirit finds expression in his identification with the Chamber of Commerce and he is also a member of the Inverness Country Club. His professional connections are with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. Dr. Bowman is devoting his life to the good of humanity and as a member of the medical fraternity he has attained high rank among those whose skill is uniformly acknowledged.

JAMES HARRINGTON BOYD, B. A., M. A., Dr. Sc.

James Harrington Boyd of the Toledo bar, is especially known as the author and leading promoter of the Ohio Workmen's Compensation Law, one of the most striking and advanced measures of state policy of our times. He was the chairman of the notable commission appointed by Governor Harmon under a legislative act in 1910, "to inquire into the question of employers' liability and other matters." As the result of the hearings and investigations of the commission, he drafted the original bill creating the State Liability Board of Awards, which became a law in June, 1911; and he was special counsel for the state in a case brought before the supreme court to test the validity of the act and unanimously decided by that tribunal in the state's favor (1912). Mr. Boyd is probably the most conspicuous

American advocate of the distinctive policy of state compulsory insurance for the protection and benefit of workmen and their dependents, and has devoted much of his time and energy to the promotion of this cause throughout the United States generally and also in Canada. He is the author of the standard book on the subject of workmen's compensation systems.

He was born in Keene, near Coshocton, Coshocton county, Ohio, December 7, 1862, son of James and Mary (Ross) Boyd. On his father's side he is of Scotch-Irish descent. His paternal grandparents were early settlers in Coshocton county, and his father was a lifelong resident there, successfully engaged in agricultural pursuits, active and prominent in the church, a justice of the peace, and altogether a respected and useful citizen. The grandmother of Mr. Boyd was a native of Kentucky and was a grandniece (maternally) of the renowned pioneer, Daniel Boone.

Reared on the home farm, James Harrington Boyd received a district and village school education until the age of sixteen and was then a student in Coshocton high school. After teaching country school for one year he prepared for college in the Wooster (Ohio) University, 1881-83, entered Princeton College, and was there graduated as Bachelor of Arts in 1886.

During the year 1886-87 he held the mathematical fellowship of that institution, and in 1888 the Master of Arts degree was conferred upon him. He was professor of mathematics in Macalester College at St. Paul, Minnesota, for some two years, when he went abroad, and from 1890 to 1893 pursued advanced studies in mathematics and physics at the University of Gottingen, Germany. In 1892 he received the degree of Doctor of Science from Princeton. Becoming connected with the teaching staff of the University of Chicago in 1893, he served as tutor of mathematics until 1895 and as instructor of mathematics from 1895 to 1902. While there he was president of Lincoln House three years and treasurer of the Quadrangle Club in 1900-01. Resigning his position in the university, he entered the Harvard Law School, where he took a special course in 1902-03, and was then admitted to the bar.

Since the year 1904 he has been successfully engaged in the practice of his profession in Toledo. He represented the Ohio Bar Association at the annual convention of the American Bar Association held in Portland, Maine, in August, 1907; and he was a member of the committee on judicial administration and legal reform of the Ohio Bar Association in 1909. At the election of 1908 he was the democratic candidate for judge of the circuit court in the sixth judicial district.

While studying in Germany some twenty years ago, Mr. Boyd became interested in the principles and operations of the workmen's industrial insurance system of that country, instituted in 1883 as a government policy by the influence of Prince Bismarck. He afterward familiarized himself with the workings of the German system from year to year and with the results following the adoption of similar measures in other countries.

At the Ohio legislative session of 1910 an act was passed (senate bill No. 250) which provided for the creation of a so-called Employers' Liability Commission "to inquire into the question of employers' liability and other matters." The commission was appointed in June of that year by Governor Harmon, and consisted of five members: James Harrington Boyd of Toledo; J. W. Perks of Springfield; W. J. Rohr of Cincinnati; W. J. Winans of Galion; and J. P. Smith of Cleveland. Mr. Boyd was elected chairman. From September to the early part of December twenty-seven hearings were held in the cities of Dayton, Cincinnati,

Youngstown, Cleveland, Toledo, and Columbus. Under the direction of the commission a special investigation was made by experts, at a cost of seven thousand dollars, concerning the economic effects of industrial accidents in Cuyahoga county during the years 1905-10 upon married and single men and their dependents. In the month of November, 1910, Mr. Boyd was in attendance at the notable Chicago conference of employers' and workmen's compensation commissions, in which ideas were exchanged by representatives of the United States government and various states, and he took an active part in its proceedings.

The Ohio commission continued its sessions in Columbus from December, 1910, until the latter part of April, 1911. An elaborate report, embodying its transactions and findings, was compiled and submitted to the twenty-ninth general assembly, together with a bill (house bill No. 282, introduced by Mr. Black), which comprehended its conclusions. The report was quite distinctively the personal work of Chairman Boyd, and the bill was drawn by him. After being debated and passed with various amendments in the two houses, the measure was agreed to in its final form by a conference committee, repassed almost unanimously, and approved by the governor on the 15th of June, 1911. Upon the completion of its labors the commission went out of existence, having devoted nearly a year of continuous work to its important duties. The cost of its services to the state—including the Cleveland investigation and the publication of ten thousand copies of its report—was some sixteen thousand dollars for incidental expenses. A bill was introduced into the seventy-ninth general assembly which provided for the payment of a gross sum of sixteen thousand dollars to the five members of the commission for their services, but it failed to pass, and up to the present time they have gone entirely unrecompensed.

It was stipulated that the act should take effect on the 1st of January, 1912, but owing to the tendency in the supreme court at that time of the case to test the question of constitutionality, it did not come effectively into operation until the following March. As already noticed, Mr. Boyd represented the state as special counsel in the test case, which was unanimously decided in favor of the state (January 12, 1912). An adaptation of his very able brief on that occasion, embodying both the economic and legal basis of compulsory industrial insurance for workmen, was published in the Michigan Law Review for March and April, 1912, and has since been reprinted in pamphlet form.

Without attempting an analysis of the somewhat elaborate act of 1911 (which is readily accessible to all interested readers), its principal provisions may be summarized as follows: 1. A State Liability Board of Awards (consisting of three members) was created, which was charged with the administration of the act. 2. Classification of employments with respect to hazard was directed, as a basis for fixing rates of premium. 3. Every employer having in his service five or more workmen regularly was, upon payment into the state insurance fund of the required premiums, exempted from liability for damages at common law or by statute on account of the death or injury of any employe, except that the right of court proceedings was reserved to employes or dependents in certain limited cases. 4. Every employe or surviving dependent applying to the state board for an award, was declared to have waived the right of court proceedings; and conversely every such person exercising the option of court proceedings was debarred from receiving a state award. 5. Ninety per cent of the assessed premium in every case was required to be paid into the state insurance fund by the employer, and ten per cent by his employes. 6. All awards on account of injury or death were made calculable

on the basis of sixty-six and two-thirds per cent of the earning capacity of the individual concerned, payments to continue not exceeding six years and not to exceed in any case more than twelve dollars a week or a maximum of three thousand, four hundred dollars.

It will be observed that the essential feature of the act of 1911 was its substantially compulsory character. However, in its compulsory arrangements it fell somewhat short of the recommendations of the commission. On the other hand, the commissioner's bill fixed a maximum of only sixty per cent of average earnings as the basis of awards—whereas the legislature allowed sixty-six and two-thirds per cent. On the whole, the legislature quite satisfactorily and thoroughly met the expectations of Mr. Boyd and his associates; and when the new law, fully sustained by the supreme court, went into comprehensive operation at the beginning of March, 1912, it was regarded by the advocates of state compulsory industrial insurance as one of the most advanced measures of its kind.

The underlying incentives and motives of this and similar legislation elsewhere have been most forcibly and completely presented by Mr. Boyd in many formal addresses, as well as in his important published work, which will presently be referred to. A study of carefully compiled statistics, both in this country and abroad, demonstrates (to quote from Mr. Boyd) 'Not only that the common (and liability) law remedy in its present form does not furnish compensation of any kind in to exceed twelve per cent of the cases of injury to employes, and even in those cases in which compensation is paid, the compensation paid does not on the average exceed one-fifth of what is regarded as adequate compensation—but also that no modification of the common law remedy can be made whereby these results will be materially improved; hence the old common law remedy must be abandoned and a new remedy substituted therefor." An examination of the detailed facts in support of these remarkable statements is exceedingly interesting, and shows beyond question the utter inability of the average workman and his dependents to recover substantially for injuries by any process unassisted or unguaranteed by the state. The imperative obligation of society to assume the responsibility for compensation for injuries and fatalities in the industries is evidenced by statistics which prove that only about twenty-eight per cent of such injuries and fatalities is occasioned by the exclusive fault of the workman, whereas the remaining seventy-two per cent is attributable in largest part to the inevitable risk of the industries and in minor but still very appreciable degrees to the direct fault of the employer, or of employer and workman jointly. The foregoing is of course only a very brief and imperfect indication of the economic basis of state compulsory industrial insurance, but it expresses the elements of the subject, from which has been evolved the present extensive movement.

The Ohio act of 1911 was very considerably amended by an act passed by the eightieth general assembly and approved by Governor Cox on the 14th day of March, 1913. This measure retained the sixty-six and two-thirds percentage of average earnings as the basis of awards; extended the benefits of the law to all employes of the state, county and local governments; abrogated the requirement for a payment of ten per cent of the premium by employes and required the entire premium to be paid by employers; and noticeably intensified the compulsory spirit and effect of the system. On the other hand, it introduced an innovation by extending to employers of certain financial standings the option of making direct compensation for injuries and deaths among their own employes, and thus withdrawing as contributors to the state insurance fund—subject, however, to the

satisfaction and supervision of the State Liability Board of Awards. Altogether, the tendency of the amendments of 1913 is more fully to put into effect the recommendations of the original commission headed by Mr. Boyd.

Among the noteworthy addresses delivered by Mr. Boyd at various times on the subject of compulsory industrial state insurance to compensate workmen or their dependents for injuries or fatalities the following may be mentioned: Before the Ohio State Board of Commerce at Columbus, November 17, 1910 (See Legislative Reference Department, Ohio State Library); before the National Civic Federation in New York, December 18, 1910, (See Proceedings of National Civic Federation, 1911); before the Ohio State Bar Association at Cedar Point, July 12, 1911, (See Proceedings of same, 1911); before the Employers' Liability and Workmen's Compensation Commission of the United States at Chicago, October 17, 1911, (See Hearings of same for 1911, page 717); before Sir William Ralph Meredith, C. J., C. P., sole commissioner on workmen's compensation of Ontario, at Toronto, January 15, 1912, (See Interim Report, Workmen's Compensation Commission of Ontario, 1912); before the Manufacturers' Association of Central Canada at Berlin, Ontario, February 15, 1912, (See the Berlin News Record, February 17, 1912); before the committee on judiciary of the house of representatives, sixty-second congress at Washington, March 15, 1912, (See Hearings of same on H. R. 20.487, S. 5,382, March 15 and 26, 1912, page 4); and before the Pennsylvania Accident Commission at Pittsburgh, April 15, 1912, (See Report of same).

In the year 1913 Mr. Boyd published an exhaustive work entitled "A Treatise on the Law of Compensation for Injuries to Workmen under Modern Industrial Statutes," (two volumes, 1,670 pages; Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indianapolis). This is the first complete presentation of the subject and embodies the history of development in the United States and foreign countries, complete texts of all state acts, every construction placed upon each state act, all foreign acts and schedules, all the procedure, law and forms, etc.

During his early career Mr. Boyd wrote and published several valuable contributions to mathematical literature, including Boyd's "College Algebra," a translation of Brict and Bouquet's "Geometric Antique," and various mathematical papers. He has also been a frequent writer for legal journals and the general press on miscellaneous topics. Mr. Boyd has published the following legal papers: 1. "Workingmen's Insurance"—The World Today, July, 1911, page 821; 2. "Workmen's Compensation or Insurance of Workmen and their Dependents Against the loss of Wages Arising out of Industrial Accidents"—American Journal of Sociology, Vol. XVII, No. 4, page 540, January, 1912; 3. "Economical Basis of Compulsory Industrial Insurance"—Michigan Law Review, March, 1912, Vol. X, No. 5; 4. "Legal Basis of Compulsory Industrial Insurance"—Michigan Law Review, April, 1922, Vol. X, No. 6; 5. "Important Constitutional Questions, New in Form, Raised by the Texas Workmen's Compensation Act"—Yale Law Journal, Vol. XXV, No. 2, page 100, December, 1915; 6. "State Workmen's Compensation Acts and the Federal Employers Liability Act"—Yale Law Journal, Vol. XXV, No. 7, page 548, May, 1916; 7. "Socialization of the Law"—The American Journal of Sociology, Vol. XXII, No. 6, May, 1917; 8. "The Treaty Making Power of the United States and Alien Land Laws in the States"—California Law Review (University of California) May, 1918. Mr. Boyd's tastes and interests extend to departments of culture of a less scientific and precise character than those to which his former activities have been devoted. In recent years he has occupied himself somewhat as a collector, especially of colonial pewter, glass and ceramics.

Mr. Boyd married March 25, 1896, in Portland, Maine, Susan Adams, daughter of John M. Adams, and has three children: Helen, Mary and James Harrington, Jr.

Mr. Boyd is a member, among other organizations, of the Ohio and American Bar associations and the American Academy of Political and Social Science. In politics, while generally taking an independent attitude in local affairs, he is a supporter of the democratic party on principle, his views being in accord with those of the present national administration.

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CARL F. OTTE

Carl F. Otte, president and director of the Hein Furniture Company of Toledo, was born in Schoningen, Germany, on the 28th of May, 1870, and coming to the new world he has made for himself a creditable name and place in business circles, his persistency of purpose and close application being numbered among the salient qualities which have gained for him success. The Hein Furniture Company is today one of the leading mercantile interests of Toledo and as president and director Mr. Otte is shaping the destinies of this concern. A large and carefully selected line of furniture is carried and the business methods followed measure up to the highest commercial ethics and standards.

Mr. Otte is married and has two children: Caroline, wife of Edwin Kuhlman; and Lucille Otte. He is a member of the First Reformed church of Toledo and he is also a Mason of high rank, having attained the Knights Templar degree of the York Rite and the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He has also become a member of the Mystic Shrine and he belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is associated with the Elks Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club and in these connections are indicated the nature of his interests outside of business.

HARRY W. DACHTLER

Exceptionally thorough training and natural ability have well qualified Harry W. Dachtler for his chosen life work and in medical circles of Toledo he enjoys an enviable reputation as a Roentgenologist. He was born at Franklin, Ohio, September 22, 1871, a son of John and Sarah (Woodward) Dachtler, who were also natives of the Buckeye state, in which they spent their lives. The father was prominently identified with public affairs, serving as mayor of Franklin, as postmaster and as a member of the board of education, while he was also called to other offices of honor and trust, the duties of which he discharged with efficiency and conscientiousness, enjoying in large measure the respect and esteem of his fellow citizens. He passed away at Franklin in 1899, and the mother's demise occurred at that place in 1919.

Harry W. Dachtler, their only child, attended the public schools of his native town and afterward became interested in electrical engineering, but abandoned that profession in 1898 to take up X-ray work, with which he has since been identified. Going abroad, he studied the science of medicine and Roentgen rays in the leading cities of Europe, and having thoroughly fitted himself for his special line of work,

he returned to his native land, opening an office in Toledo, where he has since been located. He is deeply interested in his work, in which he has developed a high degree of skill, and his services are in constant demand. He is Roentgenologist at the Flower Hospital and has also been connected with the staffs of various other hospitals of the city.

On the 9th of July, 1906, Mr. Dachtler was married to Miss Alice Shroeder, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Casper Schroeder, members of a well known and highly respected family of Toledo. Mr. Dachtler is a member of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church and his political support is given to the republican party. He is a Knights Templar Mason and in the Scottish Rite Consistory he has attained the thirty-second degree. He is a charter member and historian of the American Roentgen Ray Society, which was organized in 1899, and is the only charter member alive in the active practice of this profession; is an associate member of the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine and the American Medical Association and is also identified with the Toledo Club, the Toledo Commercial, the Country, the Erie Shooting, and the Toledo Gun clubs. With progress as his watchword, he has steadily advanced toward the goal of his ambition and his well developed powers have placed him in a position of distinction in his chosen field of activity.

FRED FRANCIS DUNCAN

Although he has not yet reached the age of thirty years, Fred Francis Duncan has demonstrated his ability successfully to conduct important commercial interests and as president of The Duncan Company he is controlling two of the large manufacturing enterprises of Toledo, displaying keen sagacity and marked capability in their management. He was born in Seattle, Washington, March 9, 1893, and his parents were Francis Andrew and Adelaide (Stackhouse) Duncan. The father was a native of Liverpool, England, and when a youth of sixteen years he emigrated to Canada but subsequently crossed the border into the United States, locating at Seattle, Washington, where he opened a blacksmith's shop, having learned the trade in his native land. He continued a resident of that city until 1905, when he came to Toledo, and acquiring a large tract of land, he erected thereon a modern plant, having organized the Duncan Forge Company and The Duncan Company, of which he became president. He was a man of notable foresight, energy and determination and through close application and judicious management he developed large business interests, but the arduous work connected with the upbuilding of these industries undermined his health, resulting in his demise on the 29th of April, 1919, when he was forty-six years of age. The mother passed away in this city in 1912. In their family were six children: George, a resident of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Frank, Gordon, Donald, Margaret and Fred F., all of whom are living in Toledo.

In the public schools of Seattle, Washington, and this city Fred Francis Duncan acquired his education and afterward completed a commercial course in the Tri-State Business College. Following his graduation he entered his father's foundry and devoted his energies to acquiring a thorough knowledge of the business, familiarizing himself with the work of each department. At the time of his father's death Mr. Duncan assumed charge of the business and has since been at its head, filling the office of president. He is ably carrying forward the

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interests established by his father, and since assuming control of the business has greatly enlarged its scope, utilizing the most modern and progressive ideas in its management and obtaining the highest possible degree of efficiency of operation at a minimum expenditure of time, labor and material. In the forge, boiler and machine shops he has from seventy-five to one hundred workmen and is just and considerate in his treatment of those in his employ.

On the 12th of April, 1919, Mr. Duncan married Miss Ida S. Hold, a daughter of William H. Hold, and they have become the parents of a son, Francis Andrew, who was born in this city September 19, 1920. Mr. Duncan is a veteran of the World war. He joined the Three Hundred and Thirtieth Ohio Battalion and with the Tank Corps served for seven months on the French front, receiving his discharge at Camp Sherman. He is a republican in his political views and is a member of the Toledo precinct committee, representing Precinct J of the nineteenth ward. He is a Master Mason and is also connected with the Protective Home Circle, the Toledo Commerce Club and the East Side Commerce Club. His work sustains the enterprising spirit that has long been synonymous with the family name in Toledo and he is proving himself an exceptionally capable young business man. His life has been guided by high standards and his forceful personality and progressive spirit have placed him with the leaders of industrial interests of this city. He resides at No. 532 Oak street, East Toledo, Ohio.

LEON H. ROBERTS

Starting out in the world when a boy of fourteen years with no capital save energy and determination, Leon H. Roberts has steadily progressed toward the goal of his ambition and is now at the head of one of the leading printing firms of Toledo. He was born in Wood county, Ohio, March 19, 1876, and his parents, Lemuel T. and Isabelle (Williams) Roberts, were also natives of this state. For a number of years the father was prominently connected with the contracting business in Toledo but he is now living retired in this city, in which he has many friends. The mother passed away in 1894, while the family were residing in Wood county. To Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were born seven children, six of whom survive, namely: Mrs. Lucinda L. Shiffer, Wesley R., Earl L., Leon H., Wilfred B. and Daniel M.

Leon H. Roberts acquired his education in the public schools of Walbridge, Wood county, Ohio, which he attended to the age of fourteen, when he began providing for his own support, learning the printer's trade in the employ of Harry Tiedke. During 1893 and 1894 he worked on the Toledo Blade and then secured a position with the Hackendorn Printing Company, remaining in the service of that firm until 1909, when he took over the business, which he has since conducted under the name of the Leon H. Roberts Printing Company. He is president of the firm, which does general commercial printing and gives employment to twenty persons. Mr. Roberts has a specialized knowledge of the printing business, with which he has been connected for forty-six years, and his well equipped plant enables him to turn out work of superior quality. He also has other business interests, being a director of the Toledo Erie Cord Tire Company and the Stalker Advertising Company, important commercial enterprises of this city.

Mr. Roberts was married June 12, 1904, to Miss Myrtle M. Neidic of this city,

a member of a prominent family of Butler, Indiana, and they have become the parents of a daughter, Mary Jane, who was born December 29, 1914, and is now a public school pupil. They are members of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church and Mr. Roberts is also identified with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Ad Club, and the Toledo Automobile and Yacht clubs. His fraternal relations are with the Knights of Pythias, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He enlisted for service in the Spanish-American war, becoming a member of Company L, One Hundred and Fifty-ninth Indiana Infantry, and was stationed at Camp Alger, Washington. He is a man of high personal standing, of marked business integrity and ability, and his record should serve to inspire and encourage others in similar circumstances, showing what may be accomplished when one has the will to dare and to do.

P. GEORGE TAIT, M. D.

Among the well known and prominent native sons of Toledo who have gained high standing in connection with the medical profession is Dr. P. George Tait, who was born in this city, January 29, 1876, and is a son of George and Mary (McNulty) Tait. The father was a successful baker who carried on business here to the time of his death, which occurred May 21, 1904. He was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1847, and there learned the baker's trade under his father's direction. He came to Toledo in 1875 and here established business on his own account. It is said that few business men of the city have been more widely and none more favorably known than was George Tait. He held stanchly to the teachings of the Scotch Presbyterian church, with which he united in his boyhood, and his life was ever characterized by the strictest integrity and highest principles of conduct. With his removal to Toledo he became a member of the First Presbyterian church and for many years served as one of its officials. Of him it has been said that "his charity was broader than his dogma." At all events he was a most benevolent man, giving freely of his means to assist others. He took an active interest in the Adams Street Mission, to which he made liberal contribution and of which he was treasurer of the board of trustees at the time of his death. He was also a generous friend of St. Vincent's Orphanage, of the Salvation Army and of the Bethel Mission. It is said that during the twenty-nine years of his residence in Toledo he never turned a deaf ear to the call of the hungry and that the people who benefited by his liberality could be counted by the scores. He belonged to Charles Sumner Lodge, Knights of Pythias, also to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Royal Arcanum, the National Union and the Burns Curling Club. He died very suddenly, remaining an active factor in business to the very last. His widow occupies a beautiful home on Ashland avenue, in Toledo. In their family were five children, of whom P. George is the eldest, the others being: Harold G., Mrs. Frank Carstensen, Mrs. Ransom Ansted and Anna Belle, all living in Toledo.

P. George Tait attended the public schools of Toledo and was graduated from the Central high school with the class of 1896. He then entered the medical department of the University of Michigan and completed his course there in 1900. After a year spent as an interne in St. Vincent's Hospital of Toledo he entered the New York General Hospital, where he remained for a year, gaining that broad and valuable knowledge which can never be acquired so quickly in any other way

as in hospital experience. In 1902 he returned to Toledo, where he has since engaged in general practice and has steadily advanced in his profession.

During the World war he received a commission as a first lieutenant of the Medical Corps and specialized in neuro sciatic treatment. He was located at Fort Houston, Texas, and at Camp Funston, where he was discharged in 1919. He has since remained in Toledo, specializing in nervous diseases, being recognized as one of the foremost representatives of this branch of the profession. He is also physician for the treatment of nervous diseases in the United States War Veterans' Bureau and in addition he has a large private practice. He is a member of the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital and is likewise on the staff of the Toledo District Nurses Association; and belongs to the Toledo and Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association. Dr. Tait holds membership in Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., the American Legion, and the Toledo Automobile Club.

WILLIAM A. BRIGHAM

William A. Brigham, first vice president of the Home Savings Bank of Toledo and long active and prominent in the commercial and financial circles of the city, was born in Toledo on the 21st of September, 1853, and is a son of Mavor and Malinda P. (Merrell) Brigham, who are mentioned at length on another page of this work. The family has been associated with the city from early pioneer times and for almost threescore years and ten William A. Brigham has been a witness of the development and progress that has transformed Toledo from a little village into one of the great commercial and cosmopolitan centers of the middle west. He pursued his studies in the public schools to the age of fifteen years, when, feeling a desire to enter upon a gainful occupation, he obtained employment with N. M. Howard & Company, grain merchants, remaining with that firm for two years. He was afterward in the employ of Cray & Rood and later became chief bookkeeper in the wholesale grocery house of Emerson & Company, with which he was associated for eight years. On the expiration of that period he became connected with the Woolson Spice Company and bent every energy toward the further development and upbuilding of the business, of which he became vice president and finally president. His labors were a forceful element in making this one of the largest coffee-roasting houses in the United States and one of the most important shipping firms in Toledo. This business was incorporated in 1882, at which time Mr. Brigham was elected to the first board of directors and was made chairman of the examining committee, which position he filled until 1885. In that year he entered more actively into the business management of the company as secretary and assistant manager and this position he occupied until 1897, when he was elected general manager. After two years' service in that connection he left the business in smooth working order, with the details systematically arranged, and decided to retire, but in June, 1909, he resumed an advisory connection with the company as vice president and director. Some years ago he became a director of the Home Savings Bank and a member of its executive committee and he is today the first vice president of that institution, so that his name has long been a familiar one in both commercial and financial circles. His indefatigable energy has declined no call to labor or service until in recent years, when he felt that his intense

activity of former years entitled him to a period of relative rest; to a considerable degree, therefore, he has put aside active business affairs.

On the 22d of September, 1875, Mr. Brigham was married to Miss Cora Frances Steele, a lady of liberal education and inherent culture and refinement. They have two daughters: Cora Steele, who is the wife of Truman H. Mitchell; and Bessie, the wife of James C. Anderson, both daughters being residents of Toledo.

Mr. Brigham has given his political allegiance to the republican party since casting his first presidential vote and has ever kept well informed on the questions and issues of the day, supporting his position by intelligent argument. His opinions are based upon a thorough understanding of the question at issue, derived from close study of all points which he deems essential to national existence and to public welfare. In former years he was identified with a number of the leading clubs of Toledo but has retired from active connection with all except the Toledo Club. He has always been known as a man of unfailing courtesy and of most kindly spirit, capable and resourceful in business, loyal in citizenship and actuated by a progressive spirit in every relation of life.

CHARLES L. REYNOLDS

Charles L. Reynolds, president of The Toledo Savings Bank & Trust Company, has been an official of that institution for over thirty-seven years and long an outstanding figure in banking and business circles of Toledo. The record of The Toledo Savings Bank & Trust Company shows continual development and expansion along the lines in which progressiveness is balanced by a safe conservatism—a policy which has been instituted and fostered by Charles L. Reynolds. Mr. Reynolds came to Toledo from Jackson, Michigan, where his birth occurred March 29, 1851, his parents being Wiley R. and Mary (Terry) Reynolds. The father was also an interested factor in Toledo business affairs, although he maintained his residence in Jackson, where he conducted a milling business and also was one of the partners in the dry goods establishment, which was carried on under the firm style of W. R. & S. C. Reynolds. The death of Wiley R. Reynolds occurred in Jackson in October, 1900. The mother of Charles L. Reynolds passed away when he was about twelve years of age.

Charles L. Reynolds attended the public schools and continued his education in Racine College, at Racine, Wisconsin, and in the Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York. He arrived in Toledo on the 1st of April, 1869, and soon afterward entered into close association with the grain and milling business here conducted by his father and uncle, under the firm style of Reynolds Brothers. At first he occupied a clerical position and then became his father's successor in the business and a partner in the firm about 1875, the old firm style of Reynolds Brothers, however, being maintained until it went out of existence in 1908. Mr. Reynolds had in the meantime entered banking circles, giving his time more and more largely to financial interests and for a number of years his attention has been directed to the management of The Toledo Savings Bank & Trust Company, which was established in 1868 and with which he has been officially connected since 1886, becoming its president in 1906, a position which he has occupied ever since. He has directed the destiny of the bank and established its policy in large measure,

while the continued growth of the institution is proof of the soundness of his judgment and the enterprise which actuates him in all of his business affairs. He is one of the largest stockholders of the Second National Bank of Toledo and was formerly a director in the old Merchants National Bank, which was merged into the Second National, of which Mr. Reynolds has since been a director. He likewise represents the directorate of the Toledo Scale Company and is the president of the Merrill Manufacturing Company, while his cooperation is a valued asset in the profitable management of a number of other important financial and business concerns of this city.

On the 6th of June, 1878, Charles L. Reynolds was married to Miss Annie Groff, who passed away December 4, 1906, a few weeks after returning with her husband from a trip abroad. She had been a leading figure in social circles in Toledo and for many years was a consistent member of Trinity Episcopal church. By her marriage she became the mother of three children: Lawrence G. and Donald L. were educated in St. Paul's School at Concord, New Hampshire, and in Yale University, and Lawrence G. is now connected with the Bostwick-Braun Company, wholesale and retail hardware merchants of Toledo, while Donald L. is connected with The Toledo Savings Bank & Trust Company; an only daughter, Annie, attended Miss Peebles School of New York city and is now the wife of Rt. Rev. Robert L. Harris, Episcopal bishop of the Marquette diocese. They have one child, Rosalind, and by a former marriage Mrs. Harris had one son, Charles R. Macomber.

Mr. Reynolds has long been identified with St. Mark's Episcopal church of Toledo and his membership connections extend also to the Ohio Society of New York and to various clubs of this city, including the Toledo, the Toledo Country, the Toledo Yacht, the Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Automobile clubs. In his business life he has been a persistent, resolute and energetic worker, possessing strong executive powers, but keeping his hand steadily upon the helm of the banking business, with which he has been so long identified. His personal characteristics and social qualities are pronounced and he is an acceptable companion in any society in which intelligence is a necessary attribute to agreeableness. Mr. Reynolds' residence is at No. 2040 Collingwood avenue.

FRANK M. DOTSON

Frank M. Dotson is one to whom the opportunites of life have always furnished a stimulus for indefatigable efforts and successful achievement. Life has ever been to him worth while and he has found joy in accomplishing his purposes, whether his acts have taken him into the field of public service or to the arena of legal battle. The practice of law has been his real life work and he is now city law director of Toledo, having been appointed to that office on January 1, 1922. Ohio numbers him among her native sons, his birth having occurred November 2, 1861, on his father's farm, where now stands the town of Hume, in Allen county. His parents were Samuel and Hester Ann (Bowsher) Dotson, both of whom were natives of Pennsylvania, the father being of English and the mother of Alsatian descent. In early life they were residents of Pickaway county, Ohio, but were married in Allen county and subsequently lived for a time in Ross county. They afterward returned to Allen county, where they resided until 1869,

when they took up their abode on a farm in Auglaize county, the father devoting his attention to agricultural pursuits until some years later, when he established a furniture business at Cridersville, there continuing in business for a time but later retiring from active life. He served as a soldier of the Union army in the Civil war, being for three years under the command of General Sherman, and held the rank of orderly sergeant. He died at Hume, Ohio, in 1900, and for almost two decades was survived by his wife, who passed away at that place in 1918. In their family were the following children, but the third in order of birth has passed away. They were: Mrs. David T. Barton and Rufus M., who are residents of Lima, Ohio; Frank M., of this review; Mrs. Isaac P. McClure, who died in 1911; Mrs. E. A. Spees of Lima; Mrs. A. V. Cawood of Robinson, Illinois; Mrs. William Reed of Fort Worth, Texas; and Justice A., a resident of Lima, Ohio.

The youthful experiences of Frank M. Dotson were those of the farm bred boy, who early learns many valuable lessons with nature as his teacher, while he acquires a knowledge of the fundamentals of education in the district schools. Mr. Dotson later attended the public schools at Whiteman and then took up the profession of teaching, which he followed successfully through the succeeding seven years. Later he entered the Northern Ohio University at Ada, pursuing there the scientific course and also prepared for the bar, being graduated from that University with the LL. B. degree, as a member of the class of 1888. The following year he was dean of the law department at his Alma Mater, but resigned that position to remove to Lincoln, Nebraska, where he was admitted to the bar and engaged in practice, being for a time a partner of Charles G. Dawes, afterward comptroller of the currency under President McKinley and recently in charge of the financial budget at Washington under President Harding. While at Lincoln, Mr. Dotson, in association with Mr. Smith, also a well known attorney there, organized a law class of twenty-five students and conducted this under the name of the Central Law School. Two years later it was formally adopted as a department of the State University and thus he had an important part in creating the present University Law School of Nebraska.

With his return from Nebraska to Lima, Mr. Dotson was admitted to the Ohio bar and entered into partnership with Ira A. Longsworth, under the firm style of Longsworth & Dotson. There he remained until April, 1892, when he came to Toledo, where he has since engaged in practice, steadily advancing to a position in the foremost ranks of the leading attorneys of this city, devoting his attention largely to real estate and corporation law, being a recognized authority on these branches of jurisprudence. He is also the president of the Lindsay Banking Company and for a number of years has been prominently known as a representative of banking interests in this city. Other business interests have also felt the stimulus of his cooperation and benefited by his sound judgment and unlike many men who are prominent in the profession, he seems to possess marked business and executive ability. He is now a director of law in the Toledo University Law School and is city counselor of Toledo.

On the 30th of November, 1892, Mr. Dotson was united in marriage to Miss Marguerite Nungester of Lima, Ohio, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Nungester. She passed away September 7, 1894, leaving a daughter, Hazel Marguerite, who was born in Toledo, in September, 1894, and was educated in the schools of this city and of Northfield, Massachusetts. She is now the wife of Justice B. Shurtz of Toledo. For his second wife Mr. Dotson was married to Miss Helen Grace Whitlock, at Garrett, Indiana, on the 21st of August, 1895. She is a daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Jefferson R. Whitlock. There are two children of this marriage: Helen Ruth, who is a graduate of the Ohio State University and is now the wife of Howard G. Courtnay of Cleveland; and Marian Constance, who was graduated from the Scott high school of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Dotson are members of the Collingwood Presbyterian church and he is identified with various organizations representative of cultural or uplift work. He is connected with the Toledo Art Museum, with the Toledo Research Club and with the Young Men's Christian Association. He is also identified with the Commerce Club and he belongs to both the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. His political endorsement has always been given to the republican party and in 1914-15 he served as a member of the city council. He was the attorney who framed the Dotson street railway franchise, which, however, was defeated in the election of 1915. He has served as chairman of the city cleanliness committee and of the Workhouse farm committee, all of which indicates his interest in activities which effect the public welfare, his influence being always on the side of reform, advancement and improvement. He responds readily to every call of duty and public service and his labors have at various times been effective forces in the attainment of desired results.

DAVID E. DERBY.

Toledo finds an enthusiastic advocate in David E. Derby, who is serving as vice president of the Ralph B. Smith Company, prominent operators in real estate, and his deep interest in the welfare and progress of the city has found expression in effective efforts in its behalf. He was born in Toronto, Canada, December 17, 1884, and is a son of William J. and Margaret (Smith) Derby, the latter also a native of Canada, while the former was born in Connecticut. When quite young the father went to Canada and in the early '80s he established his home in Syracuse, New York, becoming connected with the L. C. Smith Typewriter Company. He is now acting as sales manager for that firm and is still a resident of Syracuse. Mrs. Derby is living and four children have been born of their marriage, one of whom has passed away. Those living are: Mrs. Charles Cooper, of Toronto, Canada; Mrs. Margaret Shirley, who is residing in Ontario, Canada; and David E.

The public schools of Cleveland, Ohio, and Toronto, Canada, afforded David E. Derby his early educational opportunities and later he entered Toronto University, which he attended until 1900, when ill health forced him to abandon his studies. His initial experience along business lines was gained with the L. C. Smith Typewriter Company of Syracuse, New York, and after spending a year in their office at Grand Rapids, Michigan, he was transferred to the Cleveland branch of the firm. He remained in that city for seven years and after severing his relations with the company he came to Toledo, becoming connected with the sales department of the Willys-Overland Company, with which he was identified for five years. In 1918 he joined the Ralph B. Smith Company and two years later was chosen to fill the office of vice president, in which connection he has voice in the management of one of the leading real estate firms of Toledo. He has made a close study of the business and nothing escapes him concerning the realty market. In development projects he has not only studied present needs and conditions, but has looked beyond the exigencies of the moment to the possibilities of the future and in the

control of his interests he has worked toward making Toledo a most attractive and desirable place of residence.

At Cleveland, Ohio, on the 1st of August, 1908, Mr. Derby was united in marriage to Miss Essie Ellis, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Ellis of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Derby have one child, Dorothy, who was born in Akron, Ohio, in 1910, and is attending the public schools of Toledo. Mr. Derby is a member of the Masonic fraternity and of the Toledo Real Estate Board, while his political support is given to the platform and candidates of the republican party. He is a self-made man who has constructed his own success and the force of his personality, the keenness of his insight, and the soundness of his judgment have brought him to a position of prominence in real estate circles of Toledo. His labors have been a direct agency in the improvement and upbuilding of the city, in which he is widely known and highly esteemed.

ARTHUR BURR TAGGART

A representative of one of the pioneer families of Ohio, Arthur Burr Taggart is prominently identified with manufacturing interests of this city as secretary and general manager of the Toledo Glue Appliance Company and has become recognized as a sagacious and enterprising young business man who has already won a substantial measure of success, although he has not yet reached the age of thirty years. He was born in Canton, Ohio, March 17, 1894, and is a son of James Arthur and Mary L. (Lyon) Taggart, who are also natives of the Buckeye state. The father is now living retired in Washington, D. C. The mother is a resident of Toledo.

Arthur Burr Taggart, their only child, attended the grammar schools and the Central high school of Toledo and after completing his education began assisting his father, who was then engaged in the manufacture of heavy machinery, gaining a comprehensive knowledge of this line of work. Following the retirement of James A. Taggart the subject of this review has continued in this business, in which he has been very successful, and is now secretary and general manager of the Toledo Glue Appliance Company. The concern manufactures machinery for preparing and applying glue for all purposes and has developed a very large trade in this connection, its output being shipped to all parts of the world. From fifteen to thirty persons are employed in the operation of the plant and the special type of machinery which the concern manufactures is applicable to many uses. Mr. Taggart has made an exhaustive study of the subject and has published the result of his investigations, being the author of "The Glue Book" and the "Glue Manual," which are now used extensively as textbooks in a large number of schools and which have had a large circulation both in this country and abroad.

On the 6th of June, 1917, Mr. Taggart was married to Miss Lula W. Sallume, a daughter of Dr. N. N. Sallume, a well known physician of this city. A son, Arthur Burr Taggart, Jr., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Taggart on April 14, 1922. They are members of the First Congregational church of Toledo and in politics Mr. Taggart maintains an independent attitude, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations. He is a junior member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, belongs to the Toledo Commerce Club and is a Knights Templar Mason, while in the Scottish Rite Consistory he has taken the

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thirty-second degree. He enlisted for service in the World war and was commissioned at Camp Hancock. He was with the Signal Corps at Washington, D. C., and later was transferred to the aviation department. He is an unusually capable and progressive young business man whose well developed powers have placed him among the foremost representatives of industrial interests in the city, and judging from what he has already accomplished the future holds for him unlimited possibilities.

EARL HAMPTON WADE

Earl Hampton Wade, secretary-treasurer of the B. F. Wade Sons Company, printers and binders of Toledo, is a native son of the city, his birth having occurred on the 7th of April, 1878, his parents being Benjamin F. and Margaret Jane (Tate) Wade. The father was long a conspicuous figure in the business circles of this city and was the founder of the B. F. Wade Company, owning and controlling a printing and bookbinding establishment which was developed into one of the chief enterprises of this character in the city. The little shop was constantly enlarged, its equipment augmented and the business grew and developed year by year until it took its place with the important productive industries of Toledo.

Earl H. Wade obtained his early education in the public schools of Toledo and afterward attended the Notre Dame University at South Bend, Indiana, from which he was graduated with the class of 1897. With his return home he became associated with his father in the business of the B. F. Wade Company and after receiving thorough training in this line was elected secretary and treasurer, in which official connection he continues. He has acquainted himself thoroughly with the business and his efficiency in solving intricate and involved business problems has constantly increased. It is true that he entered upon a business already established, but in considerable measure he has contributed to its growth and development in recent years and has become an acknowledged power in printing and binding circles in Toledo.

On the 8th of February, 1902, Mr. Wade was united in marriage to Miss Mollie Betts of this city and their social position is an enviable one, their circle of friends being almost coextensive with their circle of acquaintances. Fraternally Mr. Wade is a Knights Templar Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine and loyally follows the teachings and purposes of the craft, which are based upon a recognition of the brotherhood of mankind and the obligations thereby imposed. In club circles he is well known, having membership in the Rotary, the Inverness and the Sylvania clubs.

MARTIN S. DODD

With a nature that can never be content with mediocrity Martin S. Dodd has thoroughly qualified himself for law practice and is successfully conducting important work in the courts, his devotion to his clients' interests being proverbial. He has always made his home in Toledo, where he was born July 21, 1880, a son of Major E. S. and Annie (Acklin) Dodd, who were natives of Michigan and of Kentucky, respectively. They became residents of Toledo in the early '70s and

were married in this city in 1878. The father was a distinguished lawyer, who served as prosecuting attorney of Lucas county and enjoyed an extensive practice in this city for years. He was also chosen to represent his district in the state senate and gave thoughtful and earnest consideration to all the vital questions which came up for settlement during his connection with the general assembly. He passed away in 1892. His widow still makes her home in Toledo. They were parents of three children: Martin S.; Grafton, living in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Mrs. J. Blinn Stone of Detroit.

Martin S. Dodd entered the University of Michigan after completing a high school course in Toledo and finished his law studies in 1902, when he was graduated with the LL. B. degree. Returning to his native city he became associated with Clarence Brown and remained with him for three years, at the end of that time entering into practice with Captain Everitt, continuing for two years. Following that he was in partnership with Mr. Averill for ten years and has since been practicing independently. In a profession where advancement is entirely dependent upon individual effort and merit he has worked his way steadily upward and his comprehensive knowledge of the law, combined with the natural analytical, logical and inductive trend of his mind, has brought him to a place among the more successful lawyers of Toledo. He was appointed assistant law director of the city in 1922, for the present administration, and he belongs to the Lucas County and the Ohio State Bar associations. During the World war Mr. Dodd was a captain of artillery at Camp Taylor, Kentucky.

On the 12th of September, 1913, Mr. Dodd was married to Miss Isabel Hewitt, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hewitt, her father having been one of the organizers of the Harnit & Hewitt Company, wholesale grocers, of which corporation he is now the vice president. Mr. Dodd belongs to the Toledo Commerce Club, is interested in the organized efforts to benefit the city by concerted action in regard to its adornment and improvement and for the advancement of all those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. He belongs also to the Kiwanis Club and the nature of his recreation is indicated in the fact that he is identified with the Sylvania Golf Club and the Toledo Tennis Club, finding in out-of-door sports the necessary balance for his intense professional activity.

JAMES E. PILLIOD

James E. Pilliod, a widely known Toledoan who spent the greater part of his life in this city, passed away on March 14, 1923, when sixty-three years of age. For a number of years he enjoyed an enviable reputation as one of the most active members of the Toledo bar and prior to prohibition was one of the recognized leaders of the brewery interests of the middle west, being at the head of The Huebner-Toledo Breweries Company, the second largest concern of the kind in Ohio. His birth occurred in Fort Loramie, Shelby county, Ohio, August 17, 1859, his parents being James and Mary Jane (Homer) Pilliod. His grandfather in the paternal line was James M. Pilliod, who came to America from Europe in 1824 and settled on virgin land near Fort Loramie, concentrating his efforts and attention upon the cultivation of the soil and the production of crops. He became one of the successful and highly respected farmers of that locality and as time passed on he added to his holdings and to a large extent colonized the properties with people

from his native country. He thus added greatly to the growth and progress of the community. He was a man of broad culture and of marked business capacity and he aided materially in the improvement and upbuilding of his section of the state. Before coming to this country he was a soldier under the great Napoleon, serving with the rank of captain. He died in Ohio, at the advanced age of ninety-four years. His son, James Pilliod, was also a native of Shelby county, Ohio, and in 1869 removed to Toledo, where he engaged in the milling business for an extended period but in his later years lived retired, enjoying in well earned rest the fruits of his former toil. He gained distinction as Toledo's pioneer miller and as the founder of one of the most extensive flour-milling companies in the early history of the city. He passed away in 1890. His widow lives in the old homestead in Toledo, and is more than ninety years of age. She is a remarkably well preserved woman, retaining all of her faculties unimpaired, and she seems to possess much of the vigor and ambition of young womanhood.

James E. Pilliod, an only child, came to Toledo with his parents when a small boy and received his early education in a parochial school of this city, while subsequently he entered Canisius College at Buffalo, New York, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1881, when twenty-two years of age. While a college student he manifested an intense interest in languages. He learned to speak five languages fluently and had a limited knowledge of two or three others. After completing his college course he studied law in the offices of a number of Toledo attorneys and was admitted to the bar in 1882. He practiced in partnership with Rathbun Fuller, made rapid progress in the profession and was regarded as one of its keenest representatives, first winning success as a criminal lawyer but later branching into corporation work. From 1882 until 1896 he was recognized as one of the brilliant members of the bar of this city and an orator of splendid ability. In the meantime he had become interested in the politics of Shelby county and soon became a leader of the democratic party there. He continued his connection with the democratic party until 1896, when the platform adopted by the national convention of that party, which declared for free silver, was not to his liking and he declared himself for William McKinley, the republican candidate for president that year.

In 1896 he gave up the law, notwithstanding his almost marvelous success, to assume the ownership and management of the Toledo Brewing & Malting Company, in company with John Huebner, the name of the company being changed to the Huebner Brewing Company. This company soon acquired the capital stock of The Maumee Brewing Company and The Schmitt Brewing Company. In 1906 he was the moving spirit in the merger of The Huebner Brewing Company, The Grasser-Brand Brewing Company and The Finlay Brewing Company to constitute The Huebner-Toledo Breweries Company, which became the second largest syndicate of this kind in the state. As head of the new concern Mr. Pilliod guided its affairs until the dissolution of the company after the passage of the National Prohibition Act. He also served as secretary and treasurer of The Woolner Brewing Company until within a short time prior to his death and after prohibition went into effect he spent a small fortune on scientific studies of near-beer formulas and directed the manufacture of non-alcoholic products at his plant on Hamilton street. He was also engaged in the real estate business, acted as secretary of the Joseph F. Kieswetter Carpet Cleaning & Rug Manufacturing Company and was financially interested in many other business activities. His commercial interests and large investments brought to him a very substantial and gratifying return,

and at the time of his demise a local newspaper characterized him as "one of the most prominent men in Toledo's business life for more than a quarter of a century." He was a thoroughgoing business man who in the development of his interests displayed splendid powers of organization and of executive control.

On the 15th of September, 1885, Mr. Pilliod was married to Miss Anna Becker of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Becker. They became the parents of six children: Fanny is the wife of Erwin R. Effler of Toledo; Gerard is assistant United States district attorney at Cleveland; Theresa, a twin of Gerard, is the wife of John F. Kumler, also living in Toledo; Marie is the wife of L. W. Rohr of this city; Edmund resides in Toledo; and Charlotte is deceased.

Mr. Pilliod was a popular member of the Toledo Club and the Inverness Golf Club, while fraternally he was identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His religious faith was indicated by his membership in the Cathedral Chapel parish. He was a great reader of history, a student of all the advanced sciences, an accomplished pianist and patron of music and art. He had traveled widely, thus adding to his store of knowledge. He made frequent trips to France, Germany and the Netherlands and had also toured Egypt. At his death one of the local papers said: "Mr. Pilliod's sudden passing away will prove a shock to hundreds of Toledoans who knew him personally and to many who had been beneficiaries of his proverbial generosity."

OSHEA S. BRIGHAM, M. D.

Dr. Oshea S. Brigham is one of the oldest physicians in point of length of practice in Toledo, for through forty-five years he has been a representative of the profession here and is deserving of special mention in this work because of the valuable service which he has rendered to mankind in the field of his chosen labor. Born in Erie, Michigan, on the 17th of August, 1852, he is a son of Reed M. and Lucy J. (Stowell) Brigham, who were natives of New Hampshire and of Michigan, respectively. The father removed to the Wolverine state in early life and there engaged in farming for many years. Both he and his wife have passed away.

Oshea S. Brigham attended the public schools and the Toledo high school, from which he was graduated at the age of seventeen years. He afterward became a student in the University of Michigan, where he completed his course in 1874, winning the Bachelor of Philosophy degree. He then went to the east, where he entered the Long Island College Hospital and was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1876. The following year he again came to Toledo, where he opened an office and has since engaged successfully in practice. He is serving on the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital and he has long enjoyed a very extensive and important practice. Great, indeed, are the changes which have occurred in medical and surgical methods since his graduation, but at all times he has kept abreast with the trend of modern thought and scientific investigation and is thoroughly conversant with the latest ideas and theories advanced by the most eminent physicians and surgeons of the country. He belongs to the Lucas County Medical Society, the Toledo Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association and through the interchange of thought and experience there is constantly promoting his knowledge and advancing his efficiency. In addition to his

practice he is a director of the Toledo Savings Bank but has concentrated his efforts and attention practically upon his work as a physician and surgeon.

Dr. Brigham has long been a consistent member of the Washington Congregational church. In 1880 he was united in marriage to Miss Carrie A. Mulhollen of Erie, Michigan, a daughter of Samuel and Frances (Gager) Mulhollen. Dr. and Mrs. Brigham have a son, who, like his father, is now a prominent physician and surgeon of Toledo. This is Dr. Reed O. Brigham, also practicing in Toledo, where the family name has long been a synonym for high professional standards and marked ability.

ANCEL ROY MONROE STOWE

Ancel Roy Monroe Stowe, president of the Toledo University and accounted one of the foremost educators of Ohio, was born August 30, 1882, in Walkerton, Indiana, and is a son of Dennis Lowery and Leonora Grace (Monroe) Stowe. From his early boyhood the parents planned that their son should enjoy the benefits of college training and did their utmost to stimulate in him an interest in higher education. He responded to their efforts and after mastering the branches of learning taught in the public schools of Chicago, where the family home was then maintained, he took up regular collegiate work in the Northwestern University, near that city, and was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy in 1903, while in 1904 his Alma Mater conferred upon him the Master of Arts degree, at which time he was but twenty-two years of age. After resident work of a year at Harvard University, that classic old institution conferred upon him the Master of Arts degree in 1905, while Columbia University accorded him the honor of making him a Doctor of Philosophy in 1909. Through the intervening years his attention has been given to the teaching profession. He accepted the position of principal in the Darien Center school at Darien, Connecticut, for the year 1906-7 and in the latter year became principal of the training school of the State Normal at Hyannis, Massachusetts, where he remained until 1909. He then went to Emporia, Kansas, where he was professor of history and philosophy of education in the State Normal School until 1912 and through the scholastic year of 1913-14 he was supervisor of training in the Wisconsin State Normal at Whitewater. He next became active professor of education and psychology and also director of university secondary education in De Pauw University at Greencastle, Indiana. In 1916 Dr. Stowe came to Toledo as president of the Toledo University and his work as administrator and teacher in the school has been of highest benefit to this institution, which is one of the few municipal universities in the United States. Under his guidance the school has made notable advance, gaining rapidly both in influence and prestige in the community and in comparison with other similar institutions. He is a man of ripe scholarship, holding to the highest educational standards, actuated by an unfaltering zeal to advance the interests of the school and render the institution of the greatest possible service in the preparation of the young for the responsibilities and duties of life, which is the real object of education.

On the 5th of September, 1907, Dr. Stowe was married at New Canaan, Connecticut, to Miss Marjorie Henry, the second daughter of William and Margaret (Waters) Henry. Dr. and Mrs. Stowe have one son, David Henry Stowe, who was born in New Canaan, Connecticut, September 10, 1910. Dr. Stowe has held mem-

bership in the Masonic fraternity since 1909 and he belongs to the Congregational church, while his political attitude is that of a progressive republican. He has membership in several educational societies, including the National Education Association, Association of College Teachers of Education, the American Academy of Political Science and the Ohio Academy of Social Science. He likewise has membership in the Commercial Club of Toledo and is the author of a thesis entitled, "English Grammar Schools in the Reign of Queen Elizabeth," which was published in 1909. He was recently elected corresponding academician of the Royal Academy of History and Art, Toledo, Spain. Progress has actuated him at every point in his career and in the educational field he has attained a notable position.

IRA ELLIS HUNTER, M. D.

The horizon of every man's achievements is fixed by his own capabilities and Dr. Ira Ellis Hunter, who possesses the requisite ability and the equally necessary qualities of industry and perseverance, has steadily progressed in the field of professional service until he now ranks with Toledo's leading obstetricians. He was born at Shiloh, Richland county, Ohio, May 13, 1869, a son of Samuel and Julania C. (Breneman) Hunter, the former a native of New York state and the latter of Huron county, Ohio. Samuel Hunter was a small child when his parents left New York state and came to Greenwich, Huron county, Ohio, where they were pioneers. Samuel was reared to farm work but in his early life followed the trade of carpenter. He also was a gifted musician and was well known in that connection. For many years previous to his death he conducted a mercantile business at Shiloh, Ohio. Both he and his wife passed away at the old homestead at Greenwich, which is now the property of Dr. Hunter, who is deeply attached to the place because of the memories associated therewith. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hunter.

Ira Ellis Hunter attended the public schools of Shiloh until he reached the age of ten years, when he went to reside with his grandparents, who were living on a farm near Greenwich. He pursued his studies in the district schools and after completing his course in the Greenwich high school he entered Hiram College at Hiram, Ohio. After leaving that institution he taught school for a year at Greenwich and then became a student at the Miami Medical College of Cincinnati, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1900. He began his professional career at Wooster, Ohio, but was forced to abandon his practice a year and a half later, owing to impaired health. While recuperating he was appointed assistant surgeon for the Soldiers & Sailors Home at Sandusky, Ohio, with which he was connected for twenty-three months, and during that period he completely regained his health. He then came to Toledo, where he has since successfully followed his profession, devoting the greater part of his attention to obstetrical cases, in the treatment of which he has developed expert skill. He is a member of the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital, and East Side Hospital, and visiting physician to Robinwood, Flower, Maternity & Children's hospitals, and his practice has become one of large proportions.

Dr. Hunter has been married twice. At Des Moines, Iowa, on June 24, 1903, he wedded Miss Lena Mary Kleinfelder, a graduate nurse and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Kleinfelder, prominent residents of that place. Mrs. Hunter passed

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away in this city, August 20, 1909. On the 24th day of June, 1913, Dr. Hunter married Miss Pearl Belle Langendorf, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Langendorf, members of a well known family of Toledo. Dr. and Mrs. Hunter have two children: Thomas E., who was born July 5, 1915; and Margaret E., born August 15, 1917.

Dr. Hunter volunteered for service in the World war, enlisting in the Medical Reserve Corps, receiving the commission of captain, and was stationed at Fort Myer, Virginia, during 1918 and 1919. While there he was medical advisor to General Peyton C. March and family as well as the family of Major General Charles T. Menoher, who commanded the famous Rainbow Division in France. Dr. Hunter is well known in Masonic circles, being a member of Yondota Lodge, No. 572, F. & A. M.; Port Lawrence Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Vistula Council, No. 108, R. & S. M.; St. Omer Commandery, No. 59, K. T.; and in the Scottish Rite he has attained the thirty-second degree and is a Noble of Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of Maumee Valley Lodge, No. 515, I. O. O. F.; Reuel Encampment, No. 250, and Canton Lucas, No. 3. He is a member of the Toledo Automobile Club and his professional relations are with the Toledo and Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Maumee Medical Society, of which he is president, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Euclid Avenue Methodist Episcopal church. His residence is at No. 2608 Fulton street.

THOMAS FERRELL

Thomas Ferrell, one of Toledo's wide-awake and progressive young business men, is numbered among the popular automobile dealers of the city and well merited success has attended his efforts in this field. He was born at Hamilton, in the province of Ontario, Canada, June 25, 1888, of the marriage of John R. and Mary (Daugherty) Ferrell, the former also a native of Canada and the latter of Pennsylvania. As a young girl the mother went to Canada and in that country her marriage occurred. She is still living. For many years the father was employed by the Grand Trunk Railroad Company and his death occurred in 1916. They were the parents of five children: John Robert and Norman, both of whom are residing in Toronto, Canada; Longworth, whose home is in Winnipeg, Canada; and Gordon C. and Thomas, both of Toledo.

Thomas Ferrell received limited educational advantages, attending the public schools of Hamilton and Toronto, Canada, and when twelve years of age he became a wage earner, securing work as a messenger boy. After his duties for the day were over he attended night school, being anxious to progress, and as his experience and ability increased he was given positions of greater responsibility and importance. For some time he acted as a traveling salesman, representing various manufacturing firms, and in 1916 he came to Toledo. Shortly afterward he entered the service of the Roberts Automobile Company and after leaving their employ he joined the E. E. Culver Automobile Company. He remained with that firm until 1921 and on the 25th of July of that year organized the Thomas Ferrell Company, of which he has since been the head. They are distributors for the Ford and Lincoln cars in this section, while they also handle automobile parts and operate a garage. Mr. Ferrell keeps in close touch with the advancement that

is constantly being made in connection with the automobile industry and displays keen discernment and marked executive force in the control of his interests, and his business has become one of large proportions.

Mr. Ferrell was married September 16, 1912, to Miss Mary Morrissey of Buffalo, New York, and they have two sons: John Edward, who was born in that city in 1913; and Thomas James, whose birth occurred in Toledo in 1916. Both are attending the public schools of this city.

Mr. Ferrell is a Roman Catholic in religious faith and when national issues are involved he supports the republican party but at local elections he casts his ballot in favor of the candidate whom he considers best qualified for office. His deep interest in the welfare and advancement of the city has led to his identification with the Toledo and South Side Chambers of Commerce and he is also a member of the Maumee River Yacht Club.

HOWARD LEWIS

Howard Lewis, of Doyle & Lewis, one of the strongest and most resourceful law firms of the city, was born in Caldwell, Noble county, Ohio, on the 18th of October, 1877, son of Charles T. and Dora (Glidden) Lewis. For more than a third of a century the father practiced at the bar of northwestern Ohio, winning distinction, and the family has long occupied a place of social prominence here.

Howard Lewis attended the city schools of Toledo until graduated from the Central high school, after which he entered upon a preparatory course in Doane Academy at Granville, Ohio, being there graduated with the class of 1896. He next entered Denison University and received the Bachelor of Arts degree at his graduation in 1900. Entering Harvard as a law student, he was there graduated with the LL. B. degree in 1903 and in the following December he was admitted to practice at the Ohio bar. Immediately afterward he returned to Toledo and entered upon active practice in association with his father and Judge John H. Doyle, who under the firm style of Doyle & Lewis had long been extensively and successfully engaged in law practice in this city. No change occurred in the firm of Doyle & Lewis for many years, or until 1910, when Howard Lewis and his brother, Frank S. Lewis, were admitted to the partnership and on the 1st of January, 1913, they were joined by Judge Emery, thus organizing the firm of Doyle, Lewis, Lewis & Emery. In 1907 Mr. Lewis became attorney for the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern division of the New York Central Lines. Since then he has become prominently associated with many important corporations and while he has in a way continued in general practice his attention has largely been given to corporation law. He and his partners are not only district attorneys for the New York Central Lines but also for the Toledo and Ohio Central Railroad, for the Big Four Railroad and for other well-known corporate interests. Howard Lewis is also a director of the Conklin Pen Company, the Fifty Associates Company, the Toledo Sugar Company and other important business interests of Toledo.

On the 20th of April, 1910, Mr. Lewis was married to Caroline Melvin Palmer, a native of Fostoria, Ohio, daughter of Melvin R. and Frances (Crockett) Palmer, long prominent in the social circles of this city. Mrs. Lewis has been a resident of Toledo from her infancy and was educated in Miss Smead's School for Girls and at the Mount Vernon School in Washington, D. C. By her marriage she has be-

come the mother of two sons: Howard, Jr., born January 27, 1912; and Melvin Palmer, who was born December 25, 1913. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis are members of the Ashland Avenue Baptist church, in which Mr. Lewis has served as a trustee. He is fond of golf as a means of recreation and belongs to the Inverness Golf Club, the Country Club and the Toledo Club. He also has membership in the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, and he belongs to the Masonic fraternity and to the Sigma Chi, a college fraternity. The circle of his friends is almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintances and he is spoken of in terms of the highest regard in professional circles, in club life because of his kindliness and uniform courtesy, and in the church, where his principles and ideals are manifest in his effective work for the upbuilding of the organization. The family has ever been a synonym for all that is worth while and valuable in the life of Toledo and Howard Lewis has sustained the honored family name. Politically he is a republican and along professional lines has membership with the Lucas County, the Ohio State and the American Bar associations.

LOUIS O. BROWN

Louis O. Brown, president of the Brown Stamping Company, manufacturers of high-grade metal ware and burial vaults, was born in Genesee county, New York, June 19, 1864, and is a son of Tristram and Maria (Caple) Brown. The father, Tristram Brown, was born in Genesee county, New York, and was a veteran of the Civil war. The mother was a native of England and came to America in early life. They were married in New York state. The father was engaged in the manufacture of various articles, devoting his life to activity of that character and continuing his residence in the Empire state until called to his final rest. The mother is still living in Canandaigua, New York. Their family numbered six children: Louis O., Alva H., S. Elmer, Howard, Mrs. Maude Atwater and Mrs. Minnie Steves.

Louis O. Brown, the eldest of the family, attended the schools of Genesee county, New York, and pursued a high school course, after which he entered the factory that his father conducted and there learned the business of manufacturing galvanized iron and tinware. The knowledge he thus obtained in early life has stood him in good stead in later years, constituting the basis of his success in his present line of business. In 1895 he came to Toledo and with his brother, Alva H. Brown, established the Brown Brothers Galvanized Iron & Sheet Metal Company, which was later reorganized under the name of the Brown Oil Can Company. This was in 1907 and the business was carried on under that style until 1917, when the Brown Stamping Company was established and under this name the interests have since been conducted, with Louis O. Brown as the president. The firm manufactures all kinds of high-grade metal ware and its stamping processes add distinction to its manufactured lines. Its methods are thoroughly up-to-date and its progressiveness has enabled the company to advance to a point ahead of that which many manufacturers have attained. Mr. Brown was one of the first directors of the Commercial Savings Bank & Trust Company, serving for eight years, and is today regarded as one of the prominent and representative business men of the city.

In March, 1890, was celebrated the marriage of Louis O. Brown and Miss Grace Shoup of Colton, Ohio, daughter of William and Sarah Shoup. Mrs.

Brown passed away July 23, 1916, at their home in Toledo. There were three children of that marriage: T. Owen, who was born in Colton, Ohio, in 1893, was educated in St. John's College and the Toledo high school and is now assistant secretary of the Brown Stamping Company. He married Miss Irene Steiner of this city and they have two children, Bobby and Dick, both native sons of Toledo; Edna is the wife of Amos Kendall and was born in Colton; Mabelle, the younger daughter, born in Toledo, is a graduate of the Ursuline Convent of the Sacred Heart.

Mr. Brown has always voted for the men and measures of the democratic party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He is a Blue Lodge Mason, is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and of the Merchants & Manufacturers Association. He is at all times actuated by a progressive spirit and this has brought him to a point of leadership among the business men of his adopted city. His opinions carry weight among manufacturers and his ideas concerning trade conditions and relations always elicit earnest attention and consideration. He has ever manifested a persistency of purpose that has enabled him to accomplish the object for which he is striving and legitimate success is his, while his entire career illustrates the fact that prosperity and an honored name may be won simultaneously.

PAUL L. RAPP

Paul L. Rapp, an enterprising and aggressive young business man of Toledo, is prominently connected with commercial activities of the city as local agent for The Texas Company, his carefully formulated plans and untiring efforts contributing to the success of the corporation in this field. He was born in Bellefontaine, Ohio, July 19, 1887, and is a son of John W. and Eva (Reed) Rapp, also natives of the Buckeye state, the former born in Muskingum county and the latter in Logan county. The father was reared, educated and married in Bellefontaine, Ohio, and there engaged in the grocery business until 1911, when he sold out and came to Toledo. He is now numbered among the successful grocers of this city, catering to both the wholesale and retail trades, and his business is a very extensive one. Mr. and Mrs. John W. Rapp have three children: Ernest J., Albert and Paul L.

The last named acquired his education at Bellefontaine, Ohio, and when seventeen years of age was graduated from the high school. On starting out in life for himself he secured work with a railroad company, with which he remained for three years, and he was afterward employed by the Milwaukee Bridge Company. He was next connected with the firm of Worden & Allen, engaged in steel construction work, and subsequently entered the service of the Mineral Point Zinc Company of Depue, Illinois. In October, 1919, he joined his father and brother, Ernest J. Rapp, in establishing the J. W. Rapp Company, distributors of petroleum products for The Texas Company, their territory comprising eight counties in northwestern Ohio. In the dual executive capacity of treasurer and manager Paul L. Rapp devoted every effort toward the legitimate expansion of the business, which greatly profited by his intelligently directed efforts. The J. W. Rapp Company did a large jobbing business and also supplied oils and petroleum products in carload lots to lake steamers, railroads and automobile industries.

On the 15th of November, 1922, the business was purchased by The Texas Company, which corporation Mr. Rapp has since represented as local agent.

On the 8th of May, 1912, at Decatur, Indiana, Mr. Rapp was married to Miss Ella Schneider, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Schneider, and they have become the parents of two children: Elizabeth, who was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1914; and Virginia, whose birth occurred in Detroit, Michigan, in 1916. Mr. Rapp is a Mason and he is also a member of the Toledo Automobile Club, while his political views are in accord with the tenets of the republican party. Throughout his career he has closely applied himself to the work in hand, giving his best efforts to everything that he undertakes, and the years have marked his progress along lines which lead to success, while his integrity, industry and ability have won for him high regard and esteem.

REED O. BRIGHAM, M. D.

Dr. Reed O. Brigham, born in Toledo, December 20, 1888, is a son of Dr. Oshea S. and Carrie (Mulhollen) Brigham. He attended the grade schools and the high school of the city, being graduated therefrom with the class of 1907. He next entered the Ohio State University, in which he pursued a course that brought him the Bachelor of Science degree in 1912, while from the University of Illinois he received the Master of Science degree in 1914. He continued his studies at the University of Michigan until in 1916 he gained the Doctor of Philosophy degree, later matriculating in the University of Michigan for professional training and was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1921. Since that time he has engaged in practice in Toledo and is already making steady progress in his chosen profession. He is visiting physician to the Toledo Hospital and is a member of the staff of Mercy Hospital, where he is specializing in internal medicine.

Dr. Brigham belongs to the Sigma Xi and to the Gamma Alpha societies. He is a member of the Washington Congregational church and politically is a republican. He has never been ambitious to hold office and practically his entire time and attention are concentrated upon his professional duties, which are steadily growing in volume and importance. He belongs to the Toledo Academy of Medicine, the Lucas County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association. He is widely known in this city, standing high in the regard of his fellowmen, and his own record is fully sustaining the excellent reputation which has always been associated with the name of Brigham in connection with medical and surgical practice in Toledo.

MAVOR BRIGHAM

Ninety-one years were added to the cycle of the centuries ere was brought to a close the life record of Mavor Brigham, which began in Westmoreland, Oneida county, New York, on the 16th of May, 1806, and which terminated in Toledo, on the 8th of January, 1897. He was fortunate that he was one of a family of eight children, for in such a household one learns to give and take, to know when to be independent and when to seek the cooperation and aid of others. His youthful

environment was that of the home farm, where he learned many lessons concerning the out-of-door world, while he also mastered the branches of learning taught in the district schools of the neighborhood. While still a youth the family home was established in the little village of Vienna, Oneida county, and there he afterward learned the carpenter's trade, in which he developed high skill and efficiency.

Before leaving the east Mr. Brigham was married, in Vienna, to Miss Clarissa Bill, and in the spring of 1835 he brought his wife and the little child that had come to gladden their household, to Toledo. They took passage on the "Commodore Perry," commanded by Captain David Wilkinson, and thus by way of the lakes reached their destination. From that time forward Mr. Brigham was closely associated with the history of the city and was again and again called upon to fill positions of public honor and trust. He served for various periods as township clerk, as township treasurer and infirmary director and when the little hamlet in which he had taken up his abode had grown to such an extent that it could be incorporated as a city, he was chosen to represent his ward for two years in the city council. He afterward filled the position of waterworks commissioner for three years and in 1852 was appointed to the position of mayor to fill out an unexpired term. He ever regarded a public office as a public trust and it is well known that no trust reposed in Mayor Brigham was ever betrayed in the slightest degree. His loyalty to his duty was one of his outstanding characteristics and this combined with his ability kept him much of the time in public office. In 1856 Governor Salmon P. Chase nominated him for collector of canal tolls and subsequently Governor Cox made him a member of the first organized police board of the city of Toledo. In his later years Mr. Brigham's reminiscences concerning early events which mark the history of city and state were most interesting. He often spoke of the historic mass meeting at Fort Meigs in 1840, when General William Henry Harrison, afterward president of the United States, opened the campaign of that year.

Mr. Brigham had been a resident of Toledo for only about seven years when he was called upon to mourn the loss of his wife, who died in 1842, leaving two children: Harriet, who became the wife of William A. Beach of Toledo; and Charles O., who passed away May 2, 1906. In 1843 Mr. Brigham returned to his native state and was there married to Miss Malinda Parsons Merrell of Westmoreland. They became parents of five children: Stanley F., George M., William A., Frederick M. and Harry C., the surviving members of the family being still residents of Toledo, with the exception of Frederick M., who resides in Philadelphia.

Mayor Brigham was among the first to take a decided stand in opposition to slavery and while still a young man he organized, in 1832, in Vienna, New York, one of the first anti-slavery societies in the Empire state, of which he served as secretary for three years. Throughout his long life his aid and influence were ever given on the side of reform, progress and improvement. He became one of the charter members of the First Congregational church of Toledo, organized in 1844, and for fifty-three years served as deacon and church clerk, occupying both positions at the time of his death, which occurred on the 8th of January, 1897. In this connection a contemporary writer has said: "His death closed a chapter in the history of the city of Toledo, where for sixty-two years of his life he labored long and earnestly for the upbuilding of the community. For thirty years he had gathered his children about him each twelve months in a family reunion. This last gathering was an especially felicitous one, for all present felt that owing to his advanced years he would not be spared to them for many, if any, more such cele-

brations. His devoted wife survived him some nine years, as her death occurred May 12, 1906. With her demise came to its end a beautiful career. She was eighty-five years of age, and for sixty-three years of that time had been a resident of Toledo, coming from her home in Oneida county, New York, when a bride of but a few weeks. All through her long, useful life her home was her chief delight, and her time and labor were devoted lovingly and willingly to her husband and her children. It has been truly said of Mrs. Brigham that in her was exemplified the most beautiful type of mother, and her memory remains with her children as an inspiration of unselfishness and nobility of character. One year after her arrival in Toledo, she identified herself with the many activities of the First Congregational church, and was still interested in it when she answered the summons of Him whose life she had so well emulated."

EDWIN F. VETTER, M. D.

In the field of professional service Dr. Edwin F. Vetter has made continuous progress and he now ranks with the leading physicians and surgeons of Toledo, where he has engaged in practice for the past twelve years. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, December 16, 1873, of the marriage of Dr. John Jacob and Helen Virginia (Donahough) Vetter, also natives of that city. The father was one of the leading medical practitioners of Pittsburgh and there spent his life, passing away in 1891, when forty years of age. Mrs. Vetter still makes her home in that city. They were the parents of two children: Edwin F.; and Mrs. Nellie Vilsack of Pittsburgh.

Edwin F. Vetter acquired his early education in the public schools of his native city and his academic training was received at Georgetown University, from which he was graduated in 1893. He took advanced college work at Charlotte, North Carolina, and afterward reentered Georgetown University, which conferred upon him the M. D. degree in 1907. He then became an interne at Mercy Hospital of Pittsburgh and was later connected with the McGee Memorial Hospital of that city, remaining with the last named institution until 1910. In that year he came to Toledo and has since successfully followed his profession in this city, maintaining an office at No. 802 Nebraska avenue. He devotes each summer to post-graduate work, attending the University of Chicago and also the New York Post-Graduate School, and is a member of the visiting staff of Mercy Hospital of Toledo and Flower Memorial Hospital. He has never regarded his professional education as completed with the termination of his college course and is a student of the highest order, who utilizes every opportunity to broaden his knowledge and increase his efficiency. He holds to high standards in his professional work and is accorded a large practice in recognition of his pronounced ability.

Dr. Vetter was married June 23, 1914, to Miss Mary B. Dussceau, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Dussceau of Toledo, and they have become the parents of one child, Mary Ellen, who was born in August, 1915, and is now attending school. Dr. and Mrs. Vetter are communicants of the Roman Catholic church and for a quarter of a century Dr. Vetter has been identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. During the World war he enlisted in the Medical Corps of the United States army and was commissioned a lieutenant. He was sent overseas and was placed in charge of Base Hospital No. 126, holding the rank

of captain at the time of his discharge. He is a member of the American Legion and the Military Order of the World war and is also serving on the United States Health Board, while he is likewise connected with the Toledo Automobile Club. His professional relations are with the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical societies and he is a fellow of the American Medical Association. Merit has gained him his advancement and his professional associates and the general public accord him a position of distinction in his chosen calling.

JOSEPH NAST

For thirty years Joseph Nast has been prominently identified with mercantile interests of Toledo and he is now at the head of one of the leading clothing establishments in the city, displaying sound judgment, administrative ability and enterprise in the conduct of his interests. Of European extraction, he was born May 6, 1867, and his parents, Philip M. and Minnie (Cohn) Nast, came with their family to the United States in 1872, establishing their home at Hornell, New York. There the father opened a dry goods store, which he conducted successfully until his demise. The mother is also deceased. Their family numbered eight children: Philip, Lewis, Samuel, Nathan, Jacob, Mrs. Henrietta Tuchler, Daniel and Joseph.

Joseph Nast acquired his education in the public schools of Hornell, New York, and at an early age he became a wage earner. That he was diligent and thrifty is indicated in the fact that when twenty years of age he had saved a sum sufficient to enable him to embark in business independently at Mount Morris, New York, where he successfully conducted his interests until 1892, when he sold out and came to Toledo. He organized the Famous Clothing & Shoe Company, of which he remained the head for six years, building up an enterprise of profitable proportions. In 1898 he disposed of the undertaking and then formed the Joseph Nast Company, which is now conducting one of the finest clothing stores in the city. They are outfitters to men and children and their stock is well assorted and of high quality. Mr. Nast has a thorough knowledge of the principles of merchandising and has succeeded in maintaining a high degree of efficiency in the operation of the business. He closely studies trade conditions and the wants of the public and owing to his progressive methods and reliable dealing he has won a large share of public patronage in this line. He has a very desirable location on the northwest corner of Summit and Jefferson, and employs twenty-eight salesmen in his establishment.

On the 4th of September, 1892, Mr. Nast was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Less, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Less, prominent residents of this city, and they have become the parents of two children, a son and a daughter: Nathan N., the elder, was born in 1894, and attended the grammar and high schools of Toledo, being now associated in business with his father. He married Miss Helen Kraus, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Kraus of Toledo, and they have a son, Nathan, Jr., who was born in 1916; Sylvia, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nast, was born in 1901 and her education was obtained in the public schools of the city. She is now Mrs. Max S. Leitner of Toledo.

Mr. and Mrs. Nast are of the Jewish faith, being members of the Collingwood Avenue temple, and he is also connected with B. R. B., a charitable organization maintained by those of that creed, and is serving on its board of directors. Mr. Nast is a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Retail Merchants

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Association of this city, while fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is also a Royal Arch Mason. His carefully devised plans of conducting his business are promptly executed and his enterprise and persistency of purpose have enabled him to overcome all obstacles and difficulties in his path and advance steadily forward to the goal of success, while at the same time his intelligently directed labors have contributed to the commercial development and prosperity of his city, whose welfare and progress are to him matters of deep and vital import. Mr. Nast's residence is at No. 2152 Robinwood avenue.

CHARLES FEILBACH

Charles Feilbach, president of the Feilbach Company, wholesale grocers, is one of Toledo's prominent business men and valued citizens. His activities outside of business have largely been directed along those lines which have for their object public improvement and the advancement of the general welfare. Business success has never been to him the sole end and aim of existence, for he has found far greater pleasure in performing kindly deeds and in ameliorating the hard conditions of life for the unfortunate. He has been especially interested in the various societies for crippled children and has frequently set aside all business affairs to go on some mission in connection with the work of such organizations. His zeal and enthusiasm in this service are an index to the true character of the man. He is now serving as president of the Toledo Society for Crippled Children, as vice president of the Ohio Society for Crippled Children and as a director of the International Society for Crippled Children.

Charles Feilbach was born in Sandusky county, Ohio, April 23, 1862, and his parents were Philip and Margaret Feilbach, of European birth, who came to the United States in the early '50s, locating in Sandusky county, Ohio. The father devoted his life to agricultural pursuits and passed away in that part of the state, but the mother's demise occurred in Toledo. In their family were nine children, eight of whom survive, namely: Mrs. Caroline Herzig, C. M. and J. H., all of Toledo; Andrew, whose home is at Elmore, Ohio; Mrs. Fred Gerber, who is living in Sandusky county; and Mrs. Thomas Pearse, P. W. and Charles, all of whom are residents of Toledo.

The last named acquired his education in the schools of Sandusky county, Ohio, and assisted his father in the cultivation of the home farm until he reached the age of sixteen years, when he came to Toledo and started to learn the harness maker's trade. He found the work uncongenial, however, and did not complete his apprenticeship, securing a position as traveling salesman for a grocery house. This led to his identification with his present business and five years later, or in 1889, he was one of the organizers of the Feilbach Company, which was incorporated the following year. In 1900 Mr. Feilbach became president of the company, and owing to his progressive management the business has enjoyed a steady and prosperous growth. The first building was erected in 1908 and ten years later the rapid increase in the firm's trade compelled it to construct an addition in order to provide adeaquate space for its growing business. It is exclusively a wholesaler and its interests are among the most important in the city in its line. This, however, constitutes but one phase of Mr. Feilbach's activities, for he is also serving as

president of the Buckeye National Fire Insurance Company and is a director of the Travelers Life Insurance Company. For ten years he has been a member of the executive committee of the National Wholesale Grocers Association, of which he has been a director for more than fifteen years, and he is also a director of the Ohio Wholesale Grocers Association.

On the 22d of December, 1886, Mr. Feilbach married Miss Lillian Narramore, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Narramore, well known residents of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Feilbach have a daughter, Vera May.

Mr. Feilbach is a stalwart champion of everything pertaining to the welfare of his city and as president of the Toledo Board of Education he is doing all in his power to promote the standards of the public schools. He belongs to the Art Museum Association; the Toledo Club; the Rotary Club, of which for seven years he has been chairman of the Goodfellowship committee; the Toledo Motor Club; the Inverness Club, of which he was one of the early members; the Toledo Yacht Club; and the Young Men's Christian Association. Fraternally he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His life record presents an excellent example of the power of perseverance and industry in the attainment of prosperity, for he started out in life empty-handed, with no capital save ambition and determination and has never feared to venture when the opportunity was presented. The years have brought him success and honor and his business interests are such as add to the industrial activity and consequent prosperity of the city. Mr. Feilbach's residence is at No. 618 Stratford place.

SIMS S. HINDMAN, M. D.

The medical fraternity of Toledo finds an able representative in Dr. Sims S. Hindman, who has had broad experience along professional lines and has become widely known as an expert pathologist and bacteriologist. He was born at Stony Ridge, now known as Murfreesboro, Tennessee, January 16, 1879, and his parents, W. H. and Martha (Seward) Hindman, were also natives of that state, in which they spent their lives. The father was a successful merchant of Florence, Tennessee. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hindman are deceased.

Dr. Sims S. Hindman, their only child, attended the grammar and high schools of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and then became a student at Vanderbilt University of Nashville, that state, from which he was graduated on the 4th of April, 1900, with the M. D. degree. He began practice at Murfreesboro, where he maintained an office for two years, and then entered the Hospital Corps of the United States navy, with which he was connected for four years, during which he was stationed in China and Japan and also at the Philippine islands. At the time he left the service he was acting as chief hospital steward and afterward he went to Detroit, Michigan, becoming identified with the biological department of the pharmaceutical establishment of Parke, Davis & Company. For two years he remained with that firm, later engaging in bacteriological work on his own account in that city, and subsequently went to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He was with the H. K. Moffitt biological laboratory for three and a half years and upon leaving the Quaker city he went to Washington, D. C., where for a year he was connected with the Army Medical Museum. His next removal took him to Milledgeville, Georgia, where for three years he was pathologist for the insane asylum. In 1915 he came

to Toledo and for five years served as pathologist at St. Vincent's Hospital. In 1920 he established the Hindman Pathological and Bacteriological Laboratory and has since engaged successfully in research work for physicians of this city, his professional services being in constant demand. He is also pathologist for the County Hospital and is recognized as a man of high scientific attainments.

At Seaford, Delaware, on the 2d of October, 1910, Dr. Hindman was married to Miss Anna Larimore, a daughter of George H. and Katherine Larimore, and they have three children: Katherine, who was born at Norwood, Pennsylvania, in 1911; Seward, whose birth occurred at Milledgeville, Georgia, in 1912; and Annabel, who was born in Toledo in 1918.

During the World war Dr. Hindman served as a member of the medical advisory board for this district. He is affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church and his professional connections are with the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical societies and the American Medical Association. Through comprehensive study and research he has gained valuable truths in connection with the science of medicine and has won that position of leadership in his profession which follows concentrated effort and ability of a high order.

J. H. CAUFFIEL

Possessing originality and initiative in thought and in action, J. H. Cauffiel is now at the head of one of the large business enterprises of Toledo, alert to the opportunities that life has offered, responsive to his duties and obligations and at all times enjoying life to the full, yet with sympathy for the unfortunate and oft-times reaching out a helping hand where aid is needed. The outline of his career may be different in no particular degree from that of hundreds of other men, but his individual qualities are such as make a strongly marked personality and one that has ever gained favor with his fellows. He has traveled life's journey for sixty years and during the entire period, as he expresses it, has been a student in the university of hard knocks. He was reared amid the "hills o' Somerset" in Pennsylvania, a region immortalized by James Whitcomb Riley, and there as a boy he was a pupil in the proverbial little red schoolhouse, while later he had additional training in various schools and colleges. In young manhood he started to acquaint himself with the plate glass industry and devoted about eighteen years to that line of business. He then started out independently and with the passing years has improved his opportunities to good advantage, bringing him eventually to the presidency of the American Steel Tube Company, manufacturers of high grade welded steel tubing. During a portion of his early manhood, however, he engaged in teaching but left the profession to go out among men and has found both pleasure and success in the game of life.

When twenty-six years of age Mr. Cauffiel was married to Miss Jennie E. Sellers of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and they have become parents of four sons and two daughters: Daniel Wood, James Ford, Joseph Lowell, John, Zella and Marjorie. Two of the sons are married, while John is now a student in the Carnegie Institute of Technology at Pittsburgh. All of the sons are associated with their father in the American Steel Tube Company.

Mr. Cauffiel has long been a loyal adherent of the Masonic fraternity, his membership therein covering more than a quarter of a century and bringing him into

close connection with all the Masonic bodies in Toledo. He is modest and unassuming, with a strongly developed sense of humor, an appreciation of life, its opportunities and its pleasures, and an understanding of its sorrows and its difficulties. In a word, his experiences are such as develop a well rounded character and a forceful personality, and there are few, indeed, who would not be proud to call J. H. Cauffiel friend.

H. W. BEHREND

As factory manager for the Toledo Steel Products Company for many years H. W. Behrend occupied a prominent position in industrial circles of the city and his enterprise and ability have carried him forward to a substantial point on the highroad to success. He has recently become associated in the same capacity with the Toledo Pipe Threading Company, designing tools and special machinery. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, October 6, 1872, a son of Louis and Johanna (Rink) Behrend, both of whom were of European birth and came to the United States when twenty years of age, settling in Cleveland, where they continued to reside until called to their final rest. The father engaged in the wholesale and retail coal business and also in draying. His demise occurred in 1907, when he was seventy years of age, while the mother passed away in 1914, at the age of seventy-two. Nine children were born to their union, but only four are living: William H., of Cleveland, Ohio; H. W.; August, also a resident of Cleveland; and Ralph, who is living in Macedonia, this state.

H. W. Behrend acquired his education in the public schools of his native city, from which he was graduated at the age of sixteen, and he then became a wage earner, working along various lines. He was ambitious to advance and devoted his evenings to study, attending a night school, in which he completed a mechanical course. He then secured a position with the Cleveland Automatic Machine & Tool Company and was employed in their plant until 1904, when he was selected as their foreign representative. For ten years he traveled throughout Europe, selling and installing the products of the firm, and was very successful in his work, gaining the confidence and respect of the most influential manufacturers. He also became acquainted with many public officials and men who stood high in military circles of Europe and long before the outbreak of the World war had been warned by a German officer of distinction who greatly esteemed Mr. Behrend, that he must leave the country at once if he valued his safety. Through his assistance Mr. Behrend and his family secured a passport through the German lines, departing from Berlin on the last train to leave the city before war was officially declared between Germany and the triple entente and leaving behind him all of his household effects, which were never recovered. He had previously obtained transportation for a great number of Americans, who had been caught and rendered helpless in the whirling vortex of war, and they were thus enabled to leave Germany and reach a place of safety. He also rendered invaluable service to the government, securing many views of German cities, military camps, gun works, aeroplane factories, etc., which he turned over to the authorities upon his arrival in Washington, D. C. From Holland he had crossed the strait of Dover to London, England, whence he embarked for the United States, and after reaching his native land he spent several weeks in New York city, Washington and Philadelphia before returning to the home office in Cleveland.

During the period which he spent abroad Mr. Behrend made fourteen round trips between Europe and the United States, and being a keen observer, he gained much useful and valuable information during his sojourn in foreign lands. In April, 1921, he severed his connections with the Cleveland Automatic Machine & Tool Company and became factory manager for the Toledo Steel Products Company, one of the largest industries of the city. Subsequently he accepted the position of factory manager with the Toledo Pipe Threading Company. He is a skilled mechanic with an expert knowledge of machinery and is exceptionally well qualified for the responsibilities which devolve upon him in supervising the labors of a large number of workmen. He has secured their hearty cooperation and goodwill and maintains a high degree of efficiency in the operation of the plant.

On October 24, 1896, Mr. Behrend was married to Miss Elizabeth Miller of Cleveland, Ohio, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Miller, the former of whom is deceased. They have become the parents of two children: Mrs. Robert Fall, the elder, was born in Cleveland, December 25, 1897. She obtained her education in the public schools there and also in private schools in Europe and is still a resident of Cleveland; Ralph was born in Cleveland in 1900 and acquired his early education in Europe, completing his studies in Cleveland. He now resides in this city and is in the employ of the Toledo Steel Products Company. He married Miss Katherine Kingham of Cleveland, and they have a daughter, Elizabeth, who was born in that city in 1921.

Mr. Behrend is nonpartisan in his political views, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations, and his public spirit finds expression in his identification with the Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the Manufacturers and Foundrymen's Association and his fraternal connections are with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Cleveland and the Independent Order of Foresters. He is a self-made man who has fought life's battles unaided and victory has crowned his efforts. His entire career has been actuated by a spirit of progress that has been productive of substantial results and he stands as a high type of American manhood and citizenship.

EUGENE RHEINFRANK

Eugene Rheinfrank, one of the prominent lawyers of Toledo, whose successful practice in this city extends through more than twenty-two years, was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, July 15, 1877, his parents being Dr. John H. and Sophia W. (Bruckner) Rheinfrank, both of whom were natives of Michigan, the former born in Bridgewater and the latter in Monroe. They came to Ohio in early life, settling in Wood county. The father took up the study of medicine and became a physician and surgeon of distinction and at the time of his death was the oldest member of the medical profession in Wood county in years of continuous activity in practice. He passed away in August, 1920, at the age of eighty years. His widow is a resident of Perrysburg. They had a family of four children: Eugene; William H., who is a physician and surgeon of Perrysburg; George B., an architect of Toledo; and Mrs. Charles G. Lampman, living at Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.

Eugene Rheinfrank attended the schools of his native city and entered the University of Michigan as a law student, being graduated with the class of 1901. He afterward pursued a special law course at Harvard University. He began

practice in Toledo in 1901 and through the intervening years has gained a clientage that establishes his position as one of the foremost lawyers of the bar of northwestern Ohio. His professional activities have been characterized by a constant upholding of the highest ethics and standards of the legal profession. He is a member of the Lucas county and Ohio State Bar associations.

On the 25th of June, 1905, Mr. Rheinfrank was married to Miss Laura Lamson of Toledo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. B. Lamson. Mr. and Mrs. Rheinfrank have three children: Lamson, Anne and Laura.

Mr. Rheinfrank belongs to the Masonic lodge and is well known in club circles of the city, having membership in the Toledo, Toledo Country, Toledo Commerce and Toledo Auto clubs, being one of the directors and attorney for the last named. He has a wide acquaintance in Toledo, and with his family is well known in the city's best social circles. Mr. Rheinfrank's residence is at Eagle Point Colony.

CHARLES E. FISHER, M. D.

Dr. Charles E. Fisher, member of the medical profession at Toledo, was born September 12, 1867, in the city which is still his home, his parents being Albert and Elizabeth (Wise) Fisher, both of whom were natives of Pennsylvania, whence they removed to Toledo about 1865. The father became a well known physician and surgeon here, engaging in the active practice of his profession for fifty-five years. His record was one of signal service and benefit to mankind as he labored among his fellows in checking the ravages of disease. He always kept abreast with the trend of modern professional thought and progress and was the loved family physician in many households of Toledo, his death, in 1916, being deeply regretted. His wife also died in this city about 1914.

Dr. Charles E. Fisher, spending his youthful days under the parental roof, became a public school pupil at the usual age and passed through consecutive grades to the Central high school, from which he was graduated at the age of nineteen years. Whether environment, natural predilection or inherited tendency had most to do with shaping his career it is perhaps impossible to determine, but at an early age he resolved to follow in his father's footsteps and when he had completed his public school training he entered the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor as a medical student and was there graduated in 1895, at which time his professional degree was conferred upon him. He then began practice in Toledo and through the intervening period has made steady and notable progress until he has long since left the ranks of the many to stand among the successful few. After practicing his profession for several years he took a special course in surgery, in the Post Graduate school of New York, confining his attention exclusively to surgery and is regarded as one of the most eminent surgeons of northwestern Ohio. He is a member of staff of St. Vincents Hospital, served fifteen years as United States marine surgeon and the same number of years for the Ursuline convent of Toledo. During the World war Congress appointed him to take care of all soldiers in transit through this district. After the armistice was signed he had the care of all returned soldiers in this district comprising twenty counties and is at present doing the surgery for the government.

In April, 1912, Dr. Fisher was married to Miss Elizabeth M. Herb, a daughter of the late Louis and Marguerite Herb, pioneer residents of Sandusky, Erie county,

Ohio. Dr. Fisher belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, to the Toledo Club and to the Inverness Club, while his fraternal relations are with the Masons and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. In the former he has attained high rank and is now a Mystic Shriner. Along strictly professional lines he is identified with the Lucas County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association and his professional activities claim the greater part of his thought and energy. Actuated by a laudable ambition to make his service of the greatest possible benefit to his fellowmen and prompted also by broad humanitarian principles in his chosen life work, he has advanced step by step, adding continually to his knowledge through study and research as well as experience, and is today regarded as one of the ablest surgeons in the state, his opinions carrying weight among the representatives of the profession at all times.

JOHN MATHEW SHERIDAN

John Mathew Sheridan, a contractor, devoting his attention to municipal work, was born in Toledo, Ohio, December 12, 1873, and is a son of Francis and Bridget (Degman) Sheridan. The father was a carpenter, continuing in that line of business to the time of his death.

John M. Sheridan was educated in the public schools and in St. Patrick's parochial schools and with his initiation into the business world became shipping clerk, while later he was bookkeeper for the Builders Supply Company and was identified with that corporation for a period of fifteen years. He then turned his attention to contracting in municipal work, engaging in the building of streets, waterworks, sewer systems and bridges. He has built in Toledo about twenty miles of sewers and water mains and has executed many important contracts as the result of his thorough and efficient workmanship and his knowledge of the scientific principles which underlie the task which he attempts.

On the 30th of October, 1898, Mr. Sheridan was united in marriage to Miss Lula Taylor. He is fond of baseball and fishing and turns to these for recreation. His religious faith is that of the Catholic church, as is indicated by his membership with the Knights of Columbus. He also belongs to the Associated General Contractors of America. His life has been spent in Toledo and his fellow townsmen recognize the fact that industry, energy and determination have been the salient points in his career, enabling him to work his way steadily upward until he today occupies a prominent position as a representative of industrial interests and activity in his native city.

WALTER W. BRAND, M. D.

Among Toledo's highly respected physicians and surgeons there are perhaps none better known nor more deserving of mention in this volume than Dr. Walter W. Brand, who is chief of staff and obstetrician of the Maternity and Children's Hospital, one of the greatest institutions of its kind in the country, and who in addition has an extensive private practice. The hospital is founded upon broad humanitarian principles and the high degree of efficiency here maintained is indi-

cated in the fact that physicians are constantly coming to Toledo from other parts of the country to get ideas as to the manner of conducting similar hospitals elsewhere. Dr. Brand is a native son of Toledo, born August 29, 1871, his parents being Adolph and Thresa (Zundel) Brand. The mother came to America in early life, being a daughter of John Zundel, who acted as organist in the church of which Henry Ward Beecher was pastor during the Civil war period. Dr. Brand's father arrived in the new world in 1864 and established his home in Toledo, where later he organized the mercantile business conducted under the firm name of Brand & Marx. For many years he was successfully engaged in commercial pursuits here. He passed away in 1916, at the age of seventy-six years. His wife departed this life in 1910, at the age of sixty-two years. In their family were three children: Rudolph, now living in Los Angeles, California; and Herman and Walter W., both of Toledo.

In his boyhood days Walter W. Brand attended the public schools of this city and later entered the University of Michigan. He afterward became a student in the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia and was there graduated with the M. D. degree in 1894. Returning to Toledo, he here entered upon the active practice of his profession. He strongly urged the building of a hospital for smallpox and other contagious diseases and while he served as health commissioner, from 1901 until 1906, the hospital was built at a cost of sixty thousand dollars. It has fully met every requirement in this connection and is an institution of the greatest value to the city. Following its successful establishment Dr. Brand began agitating the question of building a maternity hospital, and since its completion in 1920 he has been its chief obstetrician. It is splendidly equipped, being today one of the finest institutions of the kind in the country and its patronage is extensive. Dr. Brand is also serving on the staff of the Lucas County Hospital and of St. Vincent's Hospital, and he has membership in the Lucas County Medical Society, the Ohio State and American Medical associations, and is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Brand was married April 17, 1895, to Miss Julia Layng, a daughter of George W. Layng, superintendent of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Toledo. Dr. and Mrs. Brand have a daughter, now Mrs. Austin Waite, who was educated in the Toledo schools and in an eastern college and is residing in this city. Dr. Brand belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Club and the Toledo Country Club.

FRANK STUART LEWIS

Frank Stuart Lewis, a Harvard man, prominent in law practice in Toledo as a member of the firm of Doyle & Lewis, was born on the 18th of June, 1879, in Caldwell, Noble county, Ohio, his parents being Charles T. and Dora (Glidden) Lewis, who were also natives of the Buckeye state. During his active life the father was a prominent attorney, with a large practice in Toledo and for many years he was also actively interested in education, serving as president of the Toledo school board and doing much to standardize the schools and stimulate progress in the educational development of the city. He passed away here in 1918. His widow makes her home in Toledo. In their family were five children: Howard, an attor-

ney; William G.; Mrs. Gertrude Richardson; Charles T., Jr.; and Frank Stuart. All are residents of this city.

In his youthful days Frank S. Lewis attended the Toledo schools and after leaving the high school entered Doane Academy, while later he matriculated in Denison University, from which he was graduated in 1902, with the Bachelor of Arts degree. He next became a student in Harvard Law school and won his LL. B. degree at his graduation in 1905. He was admitted to the bar before the supreme court at Columbus in December of that year and at once entered upon active practice in connection with his father, while in 1910 he was admitted to the firm. In 1916 the present style of Doyle & Lewis was adopted, the partners thereof being: John H. Doyle, Charles T. Lewis, Frank S. Lewis and his brother Howard Lewis, Richard D. Logan, Robert Newbegin, Milo J. Warner, Frederick W. Gaines, Charles H. Lemmon and C. T. Lewis, Jr. They have their offices in the Nicholas building and the firm enjoys a very extensive practice of a most important character. Frank S. Lewis has served as general attorney for the Toledo & Ohio Central Railway Company and has in large measure confined his attention to corporation practice, being thoroughly familiar with that branch of the law. He and his brother Howard are also connected with a number of important business enterprises in Toledo and they were active in the development of Fort Miami, one of the attractive suburban districts of the city.

On the 6th of October, 1909, Mr. Lewis was united in marriage to Miss Ethel Belle Chesbrough of Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abram M. Chesbrough. They have become parents of two children: Nancy Jane, born in August, 1910; and Natalia Dorothy, born in 1913. Both daughters are now in school. In his political views Mr. Lewis has always been a stalwart republican. He belongs to the Sigma Chi, a college fraternity, and is a popular member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Sylvania Club and he has been a trustee of the Toledo Commerce Club. In Masonry he has attained the Knights Templar degree and his religious faith is indicated in his membership in the Baptist church. Along strictly professional lines he is connected with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations. While the activities of his life are well balanced, his interest naturally centers in his profession and his developing powers have resulted in the attainment of a prominence that places him in the front rank among the attorneys at law of Toledo.

HARRY E. FISHER

Among the large productive enterprises which have contributed to Toledo's prestige along commercial lines is that of the Conklin Pen Manufacturing Company, of which Harry E. Fisher is the president, and in this connection he is successfully controlling a business of extensive proportions. He was born in Piqua, Ohio, June 21, 1871, and his father, George H. Fisher, was a well known manufacturer of that city. In 1872 he came to Toledo, where he entered the drug business, with which he was connected until 1881, when he again turned his attention to manufacturing lines, becoming president of the Gendron Wheel Company and continuing to fill that office until his demise, which occurred in December, 1901, when he was fifty-four years of age. He was a man of marked business

ability and enterprise and was numbered among the foremost citizens of Toledo. The mother was called to her final rest in 1873.

Harry E. Fisher, an only child, obtained his education in the grammar and high schools of Toledo and on entering the business world he became connected with the Gendron Wheel Company, starting in an humble capacity and working his way steadily upward through merit and ability until he was made a director of the company. Later he directed his energies into other channels and at length purchased the patent rights to the Conklin fountain pen, organizing the Conklin Pen Manufacturing Company, of which he has served as president since 1900. The concern makes both pens and pencils and the superiority of these articles has gained for them an extensive sale in all parts of the world, shipments being made to eighty-three foreign countries. Mr. Fisher has always carefully planned his business, while he also has the ability and executive force to carry it forward, and in his manufacturing operations he gives employment to four hundred persons.

In this city, on the 14th of March, 1894, Mr. Fisher was united in marriage to Miss Cecile L. Warren and they have become the parents of a son, George H., who was born November 27, 1895. He acquired his education in the public schools of Toledo and Worcester Academy of Massachusetts and is now associated with his father in business. He is married and has two children.

Mr. Fisher, Sr., is a republican in his political views and as a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce he does all in his power to promote the welfare and upbuilding of the city. He is an Episcopalian in religious faith and is connected with the Rotary, Inverness and Toledo clubs. He is a Mason in high standing, having attained the thirty-second degree in the order, and is a member of both the York and Scottish rites. With industry and determination as dominant qualities he has made steady progress in the business world, until he now ranks with Toledo's foremost business men. A splendid commercial enterprise stands as a monument to what he has accomplished and its influence upon the industrial activity of the city can scarcely be over-estimated.

HARRY A. NUSBAUM

There is no greater stimulus to individual activity and enterprise than that which is found in the life records of such men as Harry A. Nusbaum, who has worked his way upward from an humble position in the business world and is now vice president of Toledo's largest wholesale hardware firm. His birth occurred at Ashland, Ohio, on the 27th of March, 1882, and his parents, Abraham and Ann (Cotner) Nusbaum, were also natives of that place. The father, a well educated man, became a successful school teacher and his attention was also given to the operation of a farm. Both Mr. and Mrs. Nusbaum are deceased.

Harry A. Nusbaum attended a country school near his home, receiving instruction from his father, and later he became a student at Ashland College, from which he was graduated in 1901, winning the A. B. degree. On entering the business world he secured the position of shipping clerk in the wholesale hardware house of the Bostwick-Braun Company and has remained in the service of that concern, advancing through the various departments as he demonstrated his worth and ability and at length reaching the office of vice president, in which capacity he is now serving. He combines a detailed knowledge of the business with a high order of execu-

tive ability and has contributed materially toward the success of one of the oldest and largest hardware firms in the state.

Mr. Nusbaum is a member of the United Brethren church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is identified with both the York and Scottish rites in Masonry and has taken the thirty-second degree in the consistory. He is also a member of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Toledo Club, the Inverness Country Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. In mercantile circles of Toledo he occupies a position of leadership and his course has been characterized by integrity and honor in every relation, commanding for him the respect, confidence and goodwill of all with whom he has been associated.

IRA C. TABER

Ira C. Taber, a well known and successful lawyer of Toledo, has long maintained a foremost position among the ablest advocates and counselors in this city. During the nearly forty years of his professional activities Mr. Taber has held to the highest ideals and standards of his profession. He was born near New Rochester, Wood county, Ohio, October 4, 1860, his parents being Nelson D. and Samantha (Skeels) Taber, who removed from the state of New York to Ohio during the first half of the nineteenth century. The Skeels family was established in Seneca county, Ohio, as early as 1832, and the Tabers a few years later settled in Fulton county. It was in Seneca county that the parents of Ira C. Taber were married and they became parents of three children, but only Ira C. Taber is living. The father was a successful farmer and about 1882 he established his home in Bowling Green, where his wife passed away February 27, 1902. Afterward he became a resident of Toledo, where he departed this life on June 15, 1903.

The early educational opportunities of Ira C. Taber were those afforded by the district schools near his father's farm. In 1882 he completed a course in the high school at Bowling Green, being one of the first alumni. Having determined upon the practice of law as a life work, he matriculated in the Cincinnati Law School, from which he was graduated in May, 1885, and about that time was admitted to practice at the bar of this state. He first opened a law office in Bowling Green, where he remained until 1896, and during the first ten years of his professional career he was alone in practice, save for about ten months when he was associated with the firm of James, Taber & Beverstock. During 1895 he was a partner of C. R. Painter. He had already had broad and varied experience in his chosen profession when on the 1st of January, 1896, he became allied with the Toledo bar and from the beginning of his residence here he has occupied a prominent and enviable position in the ranks of the legal profession. After some months alone he became a member of the firm of Taber & Clapp, which was continued until February 15, 1908, and on the 1st of December following, Mr. Taber became senior partner in the firm of Taber, Longbrake & O'Leary, an association that was continued until 1914, the firm ranking as one of the most prominent and successful at the Toledo bar. In December, 1914, Mr. Taber was joined by John E. Daniells in organizing the firm of Taber & Daniells, with offices in the Nicholas building. Throughout his professional career Mr. Taber has tried all kinds of cases and has tried them well but more and more largely he has concentrated his efforts and attention upon corporation and realty law. He has represented

many of the leading corporations of this section of the country and has figured in some of the most important litigation before Toledo courts in recent years.

On the 18th of January, 1888, at Haskins, Ohio, occurred the marriage of Ira C. Taber and Miss Adelia J. Thomas, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome B. Thomas, who were pioneer residents of Wood county. The birth of Mrs. Taber occurred in Haskins and she there pursued her early education, while later she continued her studies in Ada, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Taber have four children: Merl N.; Marie E.; Melva; and Esther V.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Methodist church, their membership being in St. Paul's, in the work of which Mr. Taber takes a most active and helpful part. His political endorsement has always been given to the republican party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise, and few men are more thoroughly informed concerning the vital questions and issues of the day, yet political honors in office have had no strong attraction for him. In early manhood he served at Bowling Green for four years as city clerk and for two years as city solicitor, was also school examiner for six years and a member of the board of education for an equal period. Otherwise he has held no offices, the demands of his profession fully monopolizing his time and energy. He is a member of the Toledo Bar Association and the Toledo Commerce Club, and is recognized as a man of well balanced capacities and power, who has long occupied a central place on the stage of legal action. His entire career has shown a mastery of the lessons of life day by day, until his postgraduate work in the school of experience has placed him with the men of eminent learning and ability in the profession of law. Mr. Taber's residence is at No. 2040 Glenwood avenue.

WILLIAM IRA MILLER

In real estate and insurance circles the name of William Ira Miller is well known, for he is the treasurer and general manager of the Miller-Baither Company, operating in those fields. He has comprehensive understanding of everything that has to do with the lines of business in which he is engaged and his thoroughness, diligence and persistency of purpose are recognized as the salient features in the attainment of his present-day success. Mr. Miller was born in Blissfield, Michigan, December 26, 1888, his parents being Christian and Mary (Knight) Miller. The father was a carpenter and contractor who devoted his life to building operations. The son obtained a public school education, continuing his studies in the Toledo high school following the removal of the family to this city in 1890. He afterward took a course in the Ohio State University, and thus liberal educational opportunities well qualified him for life's practical and responsible duties. He subsequently entered the real estate and insurance business and became one of the incorporators of the original company which preceded the Miller-Baither Company. The original company was formed in 1909 and the present organization was effected later for the purpose of conducting a real estate and insurance business. Both departments of the business are well organized and are under the competent management of Mr. Miller, who is both treasurer and general manager and who is most efficient in directing the labors of those who are representatives of the corporation. The company has negotiated many realty transfers and has directed the investments of many

patrons to the satisfaction of all concerned. Mr. Miller has intimate and comprehensive knowledge of the real estate market and conditions affecting it, knowns the property that is for sale and is a splendid valuator of all realty. Aside from his connection with the Miller-Baither Company he is the vice president of the Buckeye Savings Association. What he undertakes he carries forward to successful completion and his determined efforts are crowned with excellent results, while at all times his business methods will bear the closest investigation and scrutiny.

On the 14th of June, 1919, Mr. Miller was united in marriage to Miss Gladys Long of Toledo, Ohio, and they have become parents of a daughter, Mary Ellen. Fraternally Mr. Miller is a Mason and an Elk. In the former organization he has taken the degrees of lodge and chapter and is a faithful follower of the teachings of the craft. He likewise belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and is interested in its well organized efforts for the city's upbuilding, the promotion of its business relations and the maintenance of all those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and civic pride. In leisure hours he turns to motoring for recreation and spends many a delightful day in this way. His social qualities make for popularity and he has a large circle of warm friends in the city in which he has made his home from early boyhood.

GEORGE B. RICABY

George B. Ricaby is numbered among those real estate dealers of Toledo whose progressive business methods are resulting in the substantial upbuilding and improvement of the city as well as in the attainment of individual success, and he also has other important business interests. He was born in Montague, Michigan, November 24, 1884, and is a son of William H. and Mary E. (Bell) Ricaby, the former a native of Erie, Pennsylvania, while the latter was born in Milton, Canada. About the time of the Civil war the father removed to Michigan, locating at Montague, where he successfully engaged in the jewelry business until about 1891, when he went to Benton Harbor, that state. He is now living retired in Toledo, having accumulated a comfortable competence through close application and the capable management of his business affairs.

Of a family of three children George B. Ricaby is the only one living and in 1903, when eighteen years of age, he was graduated from the high school at Benton Harbor. Entering the newspaper field, he became owner and editor of the Twin City Blade, a leading journal of Benton Harbor, being at that time but nineteen years of age and ranking with the youngest editorial writers in the country. He later owned and edited the Galion Advocate and Blade but in 1904 disposed of his newspaper interests and came to Toledo, becoming a salesman for George E. Pomeroy, now one of the leading real estate dealers of the city. Later Mr. Ricaby was placed in charge of the down-town office and he continued in the employ of Mr. Pomeroy until 1909, when he joined the Close Realty Company, of which he became vice president. He continued to fill that office until the 1st of October, 1918, when he sold his interest in the firm and organized the George B. Ricaby Company, of which he has since been the president. His thorough knowledge of the business, untiring energy and capable management have enabled him to build up one of the largest and most successful real estate com-

panies in Toledo and he now employs about one hundred and ten people, seven men having charge of the down-town properties. He has developed the Eagle Point, Sheridan Place, Mount Vernon, Wildwood, East Harbor, and Island View subdivisions, converting unsightly vacancies into attractive residential districts. He also has other large holdings in various parts of the city, including apartments and hotels, and is the owner of the Belvidere, which he also operates. He likewise represents the Prudential Insurance Company, deals in real estate investments and also sells first mortgage bonds of properties controlled by the George B. Ricaby Company. In addition, he is serving as president of the Bond Hotel Company and the Bond Theatre Company and his business interests are important and extensive.

On the 25th of July, 1914, Mr. Ricaby was united in marriage to Miss Violet J. Corbett, of Detroit, and they have a large circle of friends in this city. In his political views Mr. Ricaby is an independent republican and fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, while his social nature finds expression in his membership in the Toledo, Inverness and Toledo Yacht clubs. His labors have been a direct agency in the material upbuilding of his city, which has greatly benefited through his activities, and an analyzation of his life record shows him to be a man of unusual ability, foresight and business acumen, in whose vocabulary there is no such word as fail.

THOMAS HUBBARD, M. D.

Dr. Thomas Hubbard was born in Ashtabula, Ohio, July 22, 1859, and is a son of Amos Fisk and Ursala Graves Hubbard. The father descended from the Hubbards of Middletown, Connecticut, was a native of the state of New York and a representative of one of its old families. He came to Ohio in the early '30s and was among the pioneer settlers of Ashtabula. With the passing years he became a successful banker of that city, devoting his life to the banking business there. Both he and his wife have passed away. In their family were eleven children, five of whom are living, namely: Thomas; Sarah C., a resident of Ashtabula; Amos F., who is a dentist practicing in Ashtabula; Mrs. Thomas B. Cooley, living at Detroit, Michigan; and George H., a resident of Fort Worth, Texas.

The boyhood days of Thomas Hubbard were devoted to the acquirement of an education in the grade and high schools of Ashtabula. Dr. John C. Hubbard of Ashtabula, one of the most distinguished pioneer Western Reserve physicians, initiated his nephew into the chosen profession. By precept and example he taught the noble humanitarian ideals of the art and as preceptor directed his medical education. He entered the Western Reserve University Preparatory School in 1879 and the next year went to the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the Ph. C. degree in 1882. In 1882-3 he began the study of medicine at Western Reserve Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio. He entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1883 and won his professional degree at graduation with the class of 1885. Dr. Hubbard located for practice in his native city, where he remained for two years. He went abroad in 1887, spending six months in study at the University of Vienna, Austria, during which time he visited other medical centers of the old world. On the expiration of that period he returned to America and since 1888 has been a resident of Toledo,

where he has successfully practiced. He has devoted his talents to diseases of the ear, nose and throat. Dr. Hubbard began the practice of intubation for membranous croup, soon after the invention by O'Dwyer, in December, 1891, and in December, 1894, initiated the use of diphtheria antitoxin in Toledo, Dr. B. Becker having obtained one of the first importations direct from the Behring's laboratory. Dr. Hubbard has for fifteen years specialized in the line of esophagoscopy and bronchoscopy in the treatment of foreign bodies in the esophagus and lungs.

Dr. Hubbard is serving on the staff of the Toledo Hospital, St. Vincent's Hospital, Robinwood Hospital and Flower Hospital. He is a member of the American Medical Association, Ohio State Medical Association, Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County, The American Laryngological Association (of which he was president in 1913), The American Laryngological, Rhinological and Otological Society and the American Otological Society.

On the fourth of September, 1889, Dr. Hubbard was married to Miss Charissa Graves of Fort Wayne, Indiana, daughter of Charles E. and Mary Ann Graves. Dr. and Mrs. Hubbard have two sons: Holland Amos, born in Toledo, in 1892, and educated in the public and high schools and in Lehigh University of Pennsylvania, is now a prominent real estate man of this city, of the firm of Hanson, Hubbard and Hansen. He married Miss Eleanor Seymour of Ashtabula, Ohio; Pomeroy Graves Hubbard, the younger son, born in 1895, was educated in the schools of Toledo and Asheville, North Carolina, and is now engineer for the Delco Light Company of Toledo. Both sons were in the service during the World war. Holland was with the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Field Artillery, Thirty-seventh Division, with the rank of sergeant, and saw active duty in France for a year; while Pomeroy was chief machinist mate in the United States Submarine Chaser Service and was also overseas in 1918-1919.

Dr. Hubbard gives his political allegiance to the democratic party but has neither sought nor held office outside of the strict path of his profession. He is identified with the Adams Street Mission of Toledo and he is a member of Trinity church. He has made his life of service and benefit to his fellowmen and his position as a physician and surgeon is among the foremost representatives of the profession in northwestern Ohio.

THOMAS CALKINS

With the pioneer development of Toledo, Thomas Calkins became closely associated, and aided in laying broad and deep the foundation upon which has been built the later progress and prosperity of the city. He was born in County Mayo, in the west of Ireland, in 1828, and in the acquirement of his education he attended the schools of that country and was also instructed by private tutors. When twenty years of age he crossed the Atlantic to New York and for a period was employed as timekeeper and bookkeeper by a railroad company. He lived for a while in New York, but after five years in their employ the Lake Shore Railroad sent him to Toledo as an accountant, at which time he journeyed westward by canal. He worked as an accountant in connection with the books of grain merchants and from his earnings he saved enough to purchase the Barrington homestead and farm, which occupied the present site of the Scottwood apartments, then situated on the outskirts of the town. Mr. Calkins followed a trail on horse-

back to the city every day and the most farsighted could scarcely have dreamed of the rapid changes which would occur and utterly transform the district. In those early days Indians prowled around the farm and there was a large pond on the place, which is now the site of some of the most beautiful thoroughfares and fine homes of the city. The little lake was all filled in as time passed and the land platted and sold. In the early days land could be purchased for three dollars an acre where the Washington Street school now stands. Mr. Calkins purchased much property and built houses, which he sold as the land was added to the city in various subdivisions. He hired a landscape gardener at five dollars per day, considered a high wage at that time, to lay out the grounds around his home. The man was a foreigner, familiar with the finest landscape gardening of the old world, and he developed one of the most attractive homes of the city for Mr. Calkins through the improvements which he made on the grounds surrounding the residence. Croquet and boating were to be enjoyed in the summer and skating on the pond in the winter and it was the favorite resort, where all of the young people of the city congregated. Moreover, they had access there to a splendid library, for Mr. Calkins was a great lover of books and possessed many choice volumes.

In the early years of his residence in Toledo, Mr. Calkins was married to a daughter of one of the old and honored pioneer families. They became parents of nine children, some of whom died in infancy. Those who reached adult age are: Richard; Edward; Mrs. Nellie Cox of New York; and Mary, who is the owner of the Scottwood apartments now built on the old homestead site.

One son, Dr. Thomas Calkins, late of Cleveland, together with his sister, Miss Mary Calkins, received as their share of the estate the old home site and unit by unit there built the extensive Scottwood apartments. Dr. Calkins was born April 28, 1869, in Toledo, and attended the public and parochial schools of the city. As a lad he was employed as office boy by such men as Clarence Brown, Emery Potter and Will Carrington, but when eighteen years of age he entered the Fordham University, where he studied for seven years, specializing in the classics. The school was conducted as a military academy and Dr. Calkins was a student there at the time General Clarence Edwards had charge of the military department. Between them there sprang up a strong and enduring friendship.

Having graduated from Fordham, Dr. Calkins entered the Georgetown University at Washington, D. C., where he took up the study of medicine, and in June, 1899, was graduated with high honors. After a few weeks at home he became house physician at St. Alexis Hospital in Cleveland, of which Mark Hanna was a patron. He purchased a residence on Superior street in that city, where he also had his office for private practice, and there he resided to the time of his last illness. He was appointed a member of the staff of St. Alexis Hospital in 1903 and he devoted all of his time and energy to his practice, having but few periods of recreation. In order to get away occasionally he made trips to Europe, attending clinics and visiting points of interest, among them the old ancestral home in Ireland. He was a man of great personal charm and his friends were legion. In connection with his sister Mary he founded a working girls' home in Cleveland, which is presided over by the Catholic Sisters. Dr. Calkins bore all the expense and labor of establishing and building the home, which contains four hundred rooms with modern equipment. He contributed generously to many charities, besides doing much in a private way himself.

On the 8th of May, 1922, Dr. Calkins succumbed to a nervous breakdown and was widely mourned by people of all classes. His funeral was held at Toledo

and eight physicians of Cleveland came to act as honorary pallbearers, while many other members of the profession, besides patients and old friends, came to pay a last tribute of love and respect to him. He belonged to all the various medical societies and was a member of many of the social clubs of Cleveland, in the ranks of which he was very popular.

HENRY LAWRENCE THOMPSON

Henry Lawrence Thompson, president of the Bostwick-Braun Company, one of the leading wholesale and retail hardware houses of the country, is one of Toledo's foremost business men and leading citizens.

He was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, May 28, 1871, a son of James William and Sarah (Lawrence) Thompson, and was reared in that city, where he also received his schooling. His connection with the Bostwick-Braun Company dates back more than one-third of a century; or, to be exact, since April 1, 1890. At that time, not yet nineteen years old, he entered the employ of this company in a minor capacity, in fact at the bottom, but his natural energy, ambition and adaptability soon started him on his rise in the business that eventually carried him to the position of chief executive, which he has filled for a number of years.

The history of The Bostwick-Braun Company is an important part of the story of Toledo's mercantile growth and development; founded in 1855, incorporated in 1893, the business of this house has been no small factor in gaining for Toledo the position of commercial importance the city now holds.

Mr. Thompson is also president of the W. Bingham Company of Cleveland, one of the old and prominent wholesale and retail hardware houses of that city. Aside from his mercantile interests, he is connected with various corporations that figure prominently in the financial and industrial life of the city.

He is chairman of the board of The Willys-Overland Company, chairman of the board of the Paragon Refining Company, a director of the Second National Bank, chairman of the board of The Summit Trust Company, director of the Toledo Plate and Window Glass Company, vice president of the Toledo Steel Products Company, director of the American Swiss Magneto Company, as well as other industrial and financial enterprises that are factors in the city's development and prosperity.

Mr. Thompson is an example of the type of a man who deserves success and for years has belonged to that class of dependable and constructive citizens who do many unselfish things to advance public movements and promote substantial enterprises.

In 1921, when the situation in Willys-Overland affairs challenged the help of Toledo business leaders, if the plant was to be retained in this city, Mr. Thompson was one of a coterie of the city's prominent business men who accepted the responsibility of extending the required assistance. This is but an instance in his career that has been marked by the most genuine public spirit and unmistakable devotion to the city's good and welfare.

His friends and associates feel for him a peculiar esteem not only for his abilities, but for his many congenial and wholesome qualities of mind and heart.

Mr. Thompson is thoroughly appreciative of the social amenities of life and his due consideration thereof constitutes the even balance to his intense business

activity. His club memberships include the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, and the Union Club of Cleveland.

In politics Mr. Thompson has always maintained an independent attitude, holding allegiance to no party organization, supporting those candidates and measures that, in his judgment, stand for the best interests of the nation, state and city. Mr. Thompson was made a Mason in Sanford Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., and had reached the thirty-second degree of Scottish Rite when but twenty-eight years old. He is also a member of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

On June 14, 1900, Mr. Thompson was married, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Miss Kate Stone, a daughter of S. E. Stone of that city, and they have a son and daughter: Henry Lawrence, Jr., and Kate Stone.

WILLIAM JAMES KELLY

William James Kelly, who for twenty-three years has been a prominent figure in real estate circles in Toledo and is now identified with the Kelly Improvement Company and various other corporations operating successfully in the real estate field, is of English birth, born on the Isle of Man on the 10th of April, 1875, his parents being John R. and Alice (Kerruish) Kelly. His educational equipment was obtained in the public schools and in a business college and in 1889, when a youth of fourteen years, he came to America, making his way at once to Toledo, where he began earning his living by working at the carpenter's trade. He was thus employed for a few years, and seeing the opportunity for the attainment of success in the real estate field, he turned his attention thereto in 1900. Throughout the intervening period he has constantly broadened the scope of his activities as a realtor and in 1910 he organized the Kelly Improvement Company, which he incorporated in that year and of which he has since been the president and manager. He is likewise the vice president of the Security Land Company and has also organized the Lucas County Realty Company, of which he is vice president. Through these three different companies he is operating extensively as a real estate dealer of Toledo, handling a large amount of property annually and possessing intimate and accurate knowledge of property values.

Mr. Kelly married, for his first wife, Miss Hermia Neuhaus, and her death left a son, Lawrence William, born April 19, 1901, who was but a little over sixteen years of age at the time of his enlistment, September 17, 1917. He served in the World war as a member of One Hundred and Forty-Seventh Infantry, Thirty-Seventh Division, and was eleven months in France and Belgium. At the time of his discharge, April 19, 1919, he was regimental supply sergeant of the One Hundred and Forty-Seventh Infantry.

For his second wife he wedded Miss Louise Weidner, a native of this city, and they have become parents of one son, Robert James, born April 13, 1908.

Mr. Kelly is a loyal follower of Masonic teachings, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, the principles of the order being exemplified in his relations with his fellowmen. Mr. Kelly certainly deserves much credit for what he has accomplished. As the architect of his own fortunes he has builded wisely and well, for he started out empty-handed when a youth in his teens and since that time has depended entirely upon his own resources. He has

eagerly and wisely grasped each opportunity that has come to him, never losing sight for a moment of the eternal principle that industry wins, and as a result of his indefatigable effort, perseverance and thorough reliability he has gained a most creditable position in the real estate circles of his adopted city and has therefore never had occasion to regret the fact that he left his native isle to become an American citizen. Mr. Kelly's residence is at No. 3261 Parkwood avenue.

ROGER P. BRESNAHAN

Roger P. Bresnahan needs no introduction to the readers of this volume, for as president of the Toledo Baseball Club of the American Association he occupies a high position in baseball circles of the country and his activities in connection with the national game have extended throughout his life, making his name a familiar and honored one to those who are lovers of this clean and popular sport. Mr. Bresnahan is a native son of Toledo and a member of a family which was established in this city fifty-three years ago. He was born June 11, 1879, and his parents, Michael C. and Mary (O'Donohue) Bresnahan, were natives of Ireland. In 1870 they came to the United States, establishing their home in Toledo during pioneer times, and in this city the father passed away, but the mother is still living here.

The seventh in order of birth in a family of eight children, Roger P. Bresnahan began his education in the parochial schools of Toledo and completed his studies in the Central high school. From early boyhod his interest has centered in baseball and his leisure hours were devoted to the sport, in which he soon grew proficient, and while yet in his teens played semi-professional ball with several strong teams in this section of the state. He began as a pitcher and his first major league connection was with the Washington team, where he remained for two seasons, going from there to the Baltimore team of the American League. From this organization he joined John J. McGraw and a number of others who went to the New York Giants of the National League in 1900, and it was with this famous team that Mr. Bresnahan acquired the reputation that stamped him one of the greatest ball players in the history of the great national game. It was here he changed from pitcher to catcher, and his remarkable work in the new position from the start made him the most conspicuous figure in the game, to be a star in both of these positions. For a number of years he was the first string catcher for the Giants, and his value for all-around work was evidenced by the fact that when not in the game as catcher he was used in the outfield and was for a considerable period the lead-off batter, the only catcher ever known to bat continuously in that position. As partner with the famous Christy Mathewson he formed the battery of Mathewson and Bresnahan, considered by authorities as one of the greatest, if not the greatest, combinations ever in baseball. Mr. Bresnahan remained with the New York Giants until 1908, when he was signed as manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, filling that position from 1909 until 1913 and effecting a great improvement in the team. He next joined the Chicago Cubs in a similar capacity, successfully managing that club until 1916, when he seized the opportunity to acquire his home team, the Toledo Mud Hens, of which he has since been the principal owner. He has spared neither time, energy, money nor patience in his efforts to give Toledo the best team in the American Association and has never lost faith in the ultimate attainment of his purpose. A wonderful tribute to Mr. Bresnahan's

skill as a ball player came recently when John J. McGraw of the New York Giants, admittedly baseball's greatest and brainiest manager, in an autobiography, "My Thirty Years in Baseball," selected a mythical All National League team of players he considered greatest in their respective positions. He selected Mr. Bresnahan as catcher, and for the mythical team of All Time he again selected Mr. Bresnahan, stamping him as the greatest catcher that ever played the game.

Mr. Bresnahan is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church and a third degree Knight of Columbus. He is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Loyal Order of Moose and in politics he maintains an independent attitude, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations. He is a loyal supporter of the city, because of his belief in its opportunities and advantages, and his enthusiasm has found expression in effective efforts in its behalf. No man has done more to promote the national sport than Mr. Bresnahan, who has always stood for the highest ideals and standards in his work, and his record is a matter of pride to Toledo's citizens, for his strongly marked characteristics are those of an honorable, upright manhood—a manhood that makes for personal popularity and at the same time commands the unqualified respect of all.

F. A. FRANKOWSKI

Business development in Toledo receives stimulus from the efforts of F. A. Frankowski, who is numbered among the successful real estate dealers of the city, while in public affairs he also figures prominently as deputy county auditor of Lucas county, in which office he has been retained for the past six years. Mr. Frankowski is one of Toledo's native sons, his birth having occurred in this city on the 4th of November, 1887, and his parents, Thomas and Mary Frankowski, are both natives of Poland. In 1879 they came to the United States, settling in Toledo, and for a number of years the father engaged in the florist's business, but he is now connected with the Edison Company of this city. The mother also survives and of the eleven children born to their union ten are living, namely: Peter F., Stephen W., Mrs. Josephine Fox, Mrs. Julia Hojnacki, Clara, Leo, Stella, Roman, Sylvester and F. A., all of whom are residents of Toledo.

F. A. Frankowski acquired his early education in the parochial schools of this city and later became a student at St. John's College, from which he was graduated in 1904. After completing his academic course he entered the employ of the Kirschner, Wideman & Uhl Company, a well known real estate and insurance firm of Toledo, but left their service a short time later, becoming connected with the American Can Company in the capacity of timekeeper and cost clerk. For three and a half years he was with that concern and was then appointed deputy state fire marshal during the administration of Governor Harmon, capably filling that important position for six years and two months. On the expiration of that period, or in 1916, he received an appointment as deputy county auditor of Lucas county and has proven systematic, efficient, accurate and faithful in the discharge of his duties rendering valuable public service. In 1918 he became a member of the firm of Trepinski & Frankowski and they have since conducted a successful real estate and steamship ticket business. They have an intimate knowledge of property values and have negotiated many important realty transfers. Their commercial transactions have been conducted on the basis of honorable, straightforward dealing

and they are rapidly building up a large business. On March 5, 1923, Mr. Frankowski was appointed manager of the Opieka Savings Bank Company, Lagrange street branch, which is his present employment.

Mr. Frankowski was married April 29, 1914, to Miss Regina Zielinski, a daughter of Frank Zielinski, a well known resident of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Frankowski have three children: Beatrice, whose birth occurred in 1915; Alice, who was born in 1919; and Mary Jane, born in 1920. Mr. Frankowski is a Roman Catholic in religious faith and a member of the Knights of Columbus, St. Michael's Society, the Polish National Alliance and the Hurd Club, while his political support is given to the men and measures of the democratic party. Throughout his career he has been a persistent, resolute and energetic worker and success has rewarded his efforts. He does all in his power to exploit the resources and advantages of Toledo, and is widely and favorably known in the city in which his life has been passed.

WILLIAM COGHLIN

Into various fields William Coghlin has directed his labors, ultimately arriving at the presidency of the Coghlin-Kirkby Machinery & Supply Company of Toledo. Not by leaps and bounds has he reached this position but by an orderly progression that has marked his full-faithed attempt to make every step in his career a forward one. Born in Toledo, September 27, 1872, he is a son of Dennis and Mary (McTague) Coghlin, the father a grain trimmer. The son was educated in parochial schools and when but twelve years of age began earning his living by working in a grocery store. He afterward acted as clerk of the school board for one term and, from early youth taking an active interest in politics, he served as a member of the democratic county central committee. He was also at one time chairman of a labor union. Thus his interests and activities have covered a wide scope, bringing him comprehensive knowledge of many questions which are vitally prominent before the public today. In early life he learned the machinist's trade and working his way upward he became department manager for the National Supply Company, with which he remained for nine years. Ambitious to engage in business on his own account, he ultimately organized the Coghlin-Kirkby Machinery & Supply Company, of which he is the president and general manager. The company's store is situated on the site of the old Wheeler Opera House and the business is now one of substantial proportions, having been developed along safe and progressive lines, so that the trade has increased year by year.

On the 7th of October, 1897, Mr. Coghlin was united in marriage to Miss Daisy M. Roberts of Toledo and they have become parents of three children: Mary Margaret, Paul Edward and Joseph Medor. Mr. Coghlin finds his recreation in the game of golf and in his rose garden. He also greatly enjoys fishing and sailing. He is a member of the Tampa (Fla.) Yacht & Country Club and he belongs to the American Rose Society. He has carried his study of the queen of flowers to a point of expert knowledge and is justly proud of his beautiful rose garden, which is not only a joy to the family but to the many friends who annually visit it. In club circles, too, Mr. Coghlin is a prominent figure, belonging to the Toledo Club, Sylvania Golf Club, Toledo Automobile Club, Toledo Yacht Club and the Commerce Club. He is also identified with the Toledo Art Museum as one of its generous patrons and, indeed, is interested in all of those movements and

forces which make for the cultural uplift of the city. His is a career of notable achievement, inasmuch as he started out empty-handed to earn his living when a lad of but twelve years. He soon recognized the value of industry, perseverance and reliability as factors in the attainment of success and these qualities have been assiduously cultivated by him as the years have gone by. Step by step he has progressed until he has reached a position among the prominent business men of Toledo, controlling extensive commercial interests, while his name is an honored one on commercial paper to a large amount. Such a record should serve to inspire and encourage others, showing what can be accomplished through individual effort, intelligently directed.

WILLIAM HENRY COMTE

William Henry Comte, the secretary and treasurer of The Comte-Naumann Company, building contractors of Toledo, has spent his life in this city. He was born on the 23d day of September, 1893, his parents being Julius and Margaret (Baker) Comte. The father has been engaged in building construction in Toledo for approximately thirty-five years.

William Henry Comte was educated in the Sacred Heart parochial school and in St. John's College.

At the age of eighteen years he joined his father in the latter's business, which in March, 1921, was incorporated under the name of The Comte-Naumann Company of which William H. Comte has become the secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Comte was married on the 9th of May, 1917, to Miss Anna Rose Ochs of Fremont, Ohio, and they have one daughter, Mary Angela.

The religious faith of Mr. Comte is manifest in the fact that he is a member of the Knights of Columbus, which is formed only of those who are identified with the Catholic church. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and is also a member of the Lions Club. Thus his interests and activities have become of broad character and scope and he is keenly alive to the opportunities and the responsibilities that come to each American citizen.

RALPH A. PARKER

One of the most popular representatives of automobile interests in Toledo is Ralph A. Parker, the genial manager of the local branch of the Cadillac Company, who for the past six years has capably discharged the duties of this position. He was born in this city, January 11, 1883, and his parents, Torrence D. and Jennie (Mehl) Parker, were natives, respectively, of Ohio and New York. As a young man the father came to Toledo, where he engaged in mercantile pursuits, becoming the owner of a grocery store. He passed away in this city in 1915 and the mother's demise occurred two years later.

Ralph A. Parker, their only child, attended the grammar and high schools of his native city and after laying aside his textbooks he entered the pattern-making department of the Toledo Machine & Tool Company, with which he was connected for four years, gaining valuable experience along mechanical lines. He then

secured a position in the office of the Bour Coffee Company, which he later represented as a traveling salesman, serving in that capacity for five years. On the expiration of that period he opened the Standard Garage, which he conducted successfully from 1908 until 1912, when he sold out and made his way to the Pacific coast. For a time he engaged in business in Portland, Oregon, and then went to California, becoming manager for the San Francisco Tour Company, which position he filled for three and a half years. In 1915 he returned to the east and in the early part of 1916 he took over the Toledo Cadillac Company, which he has since successfully conducted. Broad experience has given him a detailed knowledge of the business and owing to his expert salesmanship, enterprising and aggressive methods and thorough reliability he has been able to build up a large volume of trade for the company which he represents.

Mr. Parker is a member of the First Congregational church and his political support is given to the men and measures of the republican party. Through his identification with the Chamber of Commerce he does all in his power to promote the industrial prosperity of this city and he is also a member of the Exchange, Automobile, Inverness and Toledo clubs. His fraternal connections are with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Masons and in the latter organization he has attained the thirty-second degree. He had no special advantages to aid him at the outset of his career but realized that energy, determination and honest dealing are indispensable concomitants of success, and through the employment of these agencies he has steadily advanced. He is recognized as an alert and progressive business man and public-spirited citizen and his personal qualities are such that he has gained the warm friendship of many.

EDWIN M. GOODWIN, M. D.

For more than a half century Dr. Edwin M. Goodwin was an honored representative of the medical profession in Toledo. He was born in Cazenovia, New York, on the 27th of May, 1842, and his life record covered the intervening years to the 17th of March, 1920, when he passed away in this city. Early in life he determined upon the practice of medicine as his vocation and in preparation therefor entered a medical school at Albany, New York, from which he was graduated with the M. D. degree. Soon after completing his course he enlisted in the United States navy during the Civil war and was assistant surgeon, serving on the gunboat "Exchange" until after the cessation of hostilities.

In the late '60s Dr. Goodwin came to Toledo and for a time was associated in practice with Dr. Rouse on Summit street. Subsequently he removed to the Yeager block, where he had his office and residence for many years, and later he maintained his office in the Smith building, where he also continued for an extended period, or until about 1918, when he retired from the more active practice of his profession and from that date until his death two years later had his office in his residence, ministering only to a few of his old patients who were loath to give up his service. Throughout his professional career he had kept in touch with the trend of modern thought and scientific investigation along the line of medical and surgical practice, being a man of pronounced ability and one who long enjoyed an extensive patronage.

On the 6th of March, 1872, in Cincinnati, Ohio, Dr. Goodwin was married to

Miss Caroline Russell, who resides at No. 1933 Parkwood avenue, which has been her place of abode since 1889.

Dr. Goodwin was a republican in his political views, always stanchly supporting the party which was the defense of the Union during the dark days of the Civil war and has always been the party of reform and progress. He belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic and to the Loyal Legion and he was a member of the Masonic fraternity. He attended the Trinity Episcopal church, of which Mrs. Goodwin is a member, and his influence was ever on the side of progress and improvement. He held membership with a number of the leading medical societies and with the Microscopical Society and was actuated by a spirit of progress in every relation of life, so that he made steady advance in his chosen profession and in his relations to public duty and public service as well. He lived to the ripe old age of almost seventy-eight years and his career was ever one of usefulness.

WATSEN HAWLEY

For twenty-two years Watsen Hawley has been identified with business interests of Toledo and he is now devoting his attention to the installation of power plant equipment, in which connection he has been very successful, having been awarded many important contracts. He was born in Greene county, New York, July 19, 1856, and his parents were James P. and Elizabeth (Bedell) Hawley, both of whom were natives of New York city. In 1860 they removed to the middle west, settling in Michigan, and the father became one of the pioneers of Jackson county. He was a very successful agriculturist, developing a large farm, and both he and the mother continued to reside upon that property until called to their final rest.

Their son, Watsen Hawley, attended the district schools of Jackson county and at an early age he started out in life for himself, serving an apprenticeship to the milling trade with a firm of Jackson, Michigan. Later he went to Sandusky, Ohio, to supervise the erection of a flour mill for the firm of Barn & Kilby of that city and remained with them for about two years. He then established a flour mill at Archbold, Ohio, operating the plant successfully until 1900, when he sold out and came to Toledo. He was identified with the McNall Boiler Company of this city until 1915 and then resigned, having decided to launch a private business enterprise in this city. He organized the firm of W. Hawley & Company, handling power plant equipment, and has since been president of the undertaking. His reputation has spread beyond the confines of the city and he has installed the equipment in many large power plants in various parts of the country, his services being in constant demand. One of his most notable achievements was the installation of the boiler in the plant of the Edison Electric Light & Power Company, situated on West Congress street, Detroit. This is a twenty-nine hundred and eighty horse power boiler and is the largest single boiler in the world. Broad experience and careful study have given Mr. Hawley an expert knowledge of his line of work and he gives his close personal attention to all the details of the business, while he also has the ability to see clearly its larger aspects. His well directed efforts have been attended with gratifying results and the business which he controls is one of large extent and importance.

On the 6th of December, 1883, Mr. Hawley was married at Maumee, Ohio, to

Miss Florence Sherwood, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sherwood. Mr. and Mrs. Hawley have become the parents of two children, a son and a daughter. Mrs. C. M. Bancroft, the elder, a native of Archbold, Ohio, was educated in the public schools of Toledo and is now a resident of Canandaigua, New York; Sherwood J. Hawley was also born in Archbold, Ohio, and attended the grammar schools and Central high school of Detroit, Michigan. He is now associated with his father in business. He married Miss Hazel Fordum of Toledo, and they have a daughter, Eva Florence.

Mr. Hawley, Sr., is a member of the Toledo Commerce Club and his political support is given to the republican party. His life record is one in which notable business ability and the recognition and utilization of opportunity are well balanced forces. His progressive spirit and executive force have found culmination in the development of a large industrial enterprise and he is a self-made man whom Toledo regards as a valuable addition to its citizenship.

DONALD LOUIS REYNOLDS

Donald Louis Reynolds, vice president of the Toledo Savings Bank & Trust Company, is the son of Charles L. Reynolds, president of that institution. He was born in Toledo, on the 1st of March, 1886, and has lived in this city all of his life. He is one of three children born to Charles L. and Annie (Groff) Reynolds, who are mentioned at length elsewhere in this work. The other two children are: Lawrence G. Reynolds; and Annie, the wife of Robert S. Harris. After attending the public schools of his native city Donald Louis Reynolds entered Yale University at New Haven, Connecticut, from which he graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in the class of 1909.

At the conclusion of his college career Mr. Reynolds returned to Toledo to accept a position in the Toledo Savings Bank & Trust Company, one of the oldest and best known financial institutions in the city, with which his father was already connected as a high administrative officer. Beginning his banking experience as a bookkeeper, he has held various positions, serving as clerk, teller, and in other capacities, and now knows from personal participation in the work the duties of the several departments of the bank. In January, 1919, he was made vice president in charge of the loan department. In addition to his duties in connection with this office Mr. Reynolds is a member of the board of directors of this institution and also of the Second National Bank, in which he is financially interested.

In his political views Mr. Reynolds supports the policies of the republican party. He attends St. Mark's church of Toledo and belongs to the Toledo and Country clubs.

SAM DAVIS

Business enterprise in Toledo finds a foremost representative in Sam Davis, who has devoted his life to the coal trade and the moving and storage business, and from a most modest beginning his interests have constantly expanded until he is now the largest dealer in this commodity in the city of Toledo, while he is also at the head of other large enterprises, all of which contribute substantially

to the development and upbuilding of the city. He is a native son of Toledo and was born June 27, 1883, of the marriage of Isaac and Mary (Freid) Davis, who were of European birth. In 1882 they became residents of Toledo, where the father became connected with mercantile interests. His demise occurred in this city in 1916, and the mother passed away on the 17th of February, 1922. In their family were eight children: Jacob, Morris, Mrs. Goldie D. Levison, Mrs. Pearl Arenson, Mrs. Fannie Myers, Mrs. Rose Sworzyn and Sam, all of whom are residents of Toledo; and Edward, the second of the family, who is deceased.

In the public schools of this city Mr. Davis obtained his education and on starting out for himself in 1904 he turned his attention to the line of business that he has ever since followed. He began in a small way and with the passing years his business has steadily grown, through capable direction and close application, until he has become the largest retail coal dealer in Toledo, giving employment to almost one hundred persons. He is sole owner of this extensive undertaking and he also has a large storage warehouse, which he erected in 1917. Mr. Davis incorporated The Sam Davis Company in June, 1923, to facilitate the handling of his coal, trucking and storage business, as well as to give an opportunity to a number of his faithful employes to acquire an interest in the business.

Mr. Davis has recently become principal owner of the Toledo Factories building, the incubator of many infant industries, succeeding Irving B. Hiett, as president of the company. It was organized in 1912 by Irving E. Macomber, R. B. Crane, W. C. Carr, W. W. Knight, James Bentley, I. B. Hiett, C. D. Smith, E. H. Cady, J. N. Willys, Rathbun Fuller, Isaac Kinsey, Frank P. Chapin and other prominent men of Toledo, as a means of encouraging small industries and thus promoting the commercial development of the city. The plant was so organized that power, heat, light, fire protection, insurance and other necessary facilities were provided at minimum rates and has been the means of fostering many enterprises which have since taken their places among the leading industries of the city. Owing to the great demand for room in this building, which is four stories in height, of modern fireproof construction and affords a floor space of two hundred thousand square feet, Mr. Davis is planning to erect a half million dollar addition to the Woodruff avenue structure, which now contains twenty small industrial concerns. He possesses a genius for organization and an aptitude for successful management and is a dynamic force in any movement with which he is associated. The activity of Mr. Davis in other connections includes the improvement and development of the Canton street business section. This improvement started in 1902, when he was agent for the real estate holdings of Graff M. Acklin in that locality, and although Mr. Davis was but a boy in his teens, his business foresight was exceptionally good, as subsequent developments have proven. Mr. Davis is now the most extensive property owner on Canton street and erected the first new building thereon, as well as a number of modern buildings since then.

On the 29th of November, 1903, Mr. Davis married Miss Annie Copelan, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Copelan of Toledo, and they have become the parents of three children: Roi, who was born December 21, 1905, and is a student at the Scott high school of this city; Leora, who was born April 20, 1907, and is also attending that school; and Ira, born January 25, 1917.

Mr. Davis has ever recognized the brotherhood of mankind and his benevolence reaches out broadly to his fellowmen. He is vice president of the Jewish Federation of Charities, is a director of the Collingwood Avenue temple and is also identified with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Progress Club, and is a director of the

Toledo Zoological Society. Mr. Davis is a very successful business man, yet he has not achieved his success by selfishness. A strong believer in the practice of "live and let live," his donations to charity and deserving projects have always been liberal and frequent. He built and presented to the city the beautiful band stand in Willys park. This structure was dedicated June 7, 1922, by Mayor Brough. In 1923 Mr. Davis erected in Ottawa park a beautiful band stand and comfort station in memory of his mother, Mrs. Mary Davis, and also presented this to the city. The career of Mr. Davis is a striking illustration of what a young man can accomplish if he has energy and push and tries to be square. He was but ten years old when he began to do for himself and now at middle age has acquired a competence that would be a credit to the activity of a full lifetime. He has ever supported those interests which are calculated to benefit humanity and his individual qualities are such as have gained for him a most creditable position among Toledo's prominent business men and citizens. Mr. Davis' residence is at No. 2483 Scottwood avenue.

ARTHUR J. RICHIE, M. D.

The medical fraternity of Toledo finds a leading representative in Dr. Arthur J. Richie, who for twenty-two years has successfully followed his profession in this city. He was born in Sylvania, Ohio, March 24, 1877, and his parents, James J. and Irene E. (Comstock) Richie, were also natives of this state. The Richie family is one of the oldest in America, having been established in this country in 1625. The immigrant ancestor, John Howland, was a passenger on the Mayflower and settled in New York. His daughter, Desire Howland, married John Gorham, of which couple Abigail Gorham was a descendant and she was Arthur J. Richie's mother's grandmother. She died at New Lisbon, Otsego county, New York. James J. Richie was born at Cape Vincent, New York, in 1829, and later moved to Kingston, Canada, where he lived some few years before coming to the states. He died in 1900, when seventy-one years of age. The mother is still living. They had a family of three children: Carl D., a resident of Lorain, Ohio; Mrs. Leona E. Heath, a teacher in the public schools of this city; and Arthur J.

Arthur J. Richie attended the grammar and high schools of Sylvania, Ohio, and a business college of this city, later becoming a student at the Toledo Medical College, from which he was graduated on the 5th of April, 1898. He began the work of his profession at Sylvania, where he maintained an office for two years, and since 1900 he has been located in Toledo. He has built up a large general practice and is a member of the auxiliary staff of St. Vincent's Hospital. He has never regarded his professional education as completed with the termination of his college course and has taken postgraduate work in New York city and other leading medical centers, thus promoting his knowledge and increasing his efficiency. Recognition of his professional ability led to his appointment as city physician and for two years he capably filled that office.

Dr. Richie was married April 5, 1899, to Miss Regina Haley, a daughter of Adam S. Haley of Findlay, Ohio, and they have become the parents of two children: Gerald S., who was born at Sylvania in January, 1900, and was graduated from the Scott high school of this city; and Margaret, who was born in Toledo in 1905 and is now a junior in the Smead school, a private educational institution of the city.

Dr. Richie is a veteran of the World war and his son was a member of the Student Reserve Corps. The doctor was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps and was sent overseas. He was attached to Base Hospital No. 66, and received his discharge at Baltimore. Professionally he is identified with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and a man of high purposes and ideals, whose life work is one of broad usefulness, and his professional labors have been attended by that success which is the merited reward of concentrated effort and marked ability.

MRS. NELLIE B. MARTIN

Mrs. Nellie B. Martin, president and treasurer of the Toledo College of Music, was born in Monclova, Lucas county, Ohio, July 2, 1861, a daughter of John and Margaret (Sheplar) Barton. She was educated in the schools of Lucas county and when quite young displayed decided talent for music. At the age of ten years she was a pupil of Mrs. Gilbert at Maumee, the latter a granddaughter of Little Turtle, a full-blooded Indian. There were comparatively few music teachers in Toledo at that time and such was the demand for instruction in the art that Mrs. Martin, when but thirteen years of age, was giving lessons and has practically continued in the work throughout the intervening years. She studied with the best private instructors, among whom were Professor Holcomb and Amer Berum of Stuttgart, Germany. Wishing for a broader and more comprehensive musical training than was afforded in Toledo, she attended the Chafee-Noble School of Expression in Detroit, Michigan, from which she was graduated. After this she went to Adrian College, where she was graduated from the musical department and later she completed a course of study in the Detroit Training School of Elocution and English Literature.

On the 28th of June, 1888, Nellie B. Barton became the wife of Theodore Corson Martin. All of this time Mrs. Martin had been instructing pupils on the piano and at the same time giving public dramatic readings, her labors of this kind covering a period of more than twenty years. She had many flattering offers to take up dramatic readings exclusively but her delight and ambition lay in her teaching work and particularly in the art of music. Mrs. Martin for years has been an active member of the Toledo City Federation of Women's Clubs, which she has served as treasurer for two years, as president for two years and as chairman of the music committee for five years, as well as in various other helpful capacities. For four years she was president of the Readers Dramatic Club. She was also president of the Informal Study Club and has been president of the 1900 Study Club. At a former period she was president of the Nautilus Club and at one time was the presiding officer of the Musical Study Club. She is a member and chairman of the music committee of the Woman's Educational Club, belongs to the National Music Teachers Association and also to the National Speech Arts Association. She is a member of the International Lyceum and Chautauqua Association and is a member of the Toledo Woman's Association, of which she was at one time a trustee. Her various connections with these organizations show how broad and comprehensive are her interests and activities, especially along those lines which make for cultural uplift and value. Neither is she neglectful of her

duties in relation to the moral progress of the community and is numbered among the loyal members of the Methodist church.

In the year 1910 Mrs. Martin became one of the organizers of the Toledo Musical College, which was incorporated under the laws of the state and has the power to issue diplomas for pupils graduating from the different branches of the school. Mrs. Martin has been the president and treasurer of the college from the beginning. The school had rooms in the Zenobia building for a time and the branches taught were piano, voice, violin and other stringed instruments such as banjo, guitar and ukulele. Other branches taught were public school music, harmony, history of music, theory, dramatic art, story telling, aesthetic dancing and the languages, principally Spanish and French. Mrs. Martin has held to the highest standards in maintaining and promoting the school and her graduates have high rank in musical and art circles.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin have one daughter, Margaret Eleanor, who is now the wife of A. H. Brachvogel and who is a teacher of piano in the college. Among the pupils of Mrs. Martin are found competent musicians in all sections of the country and her own daughter is a representative of this class.

Mr. Martin was born in Toledo, November 20, 1860, and is a son of Preedom and Hannah (Corson) Martin. He acquired his early education in the schools of Lucas county and his first position was that of clerk in a general store at Scranton, Ohio, where he worked for a time and later took up the business of selling life insurance. In the year 1890 he joined the organization of the J. W. Greene Company as a salesman and is now a stockholder in the company and one of its directors. He has been with this great musical house for more than thirty years and is prominently known in musical circles throughout this section of the state.

Mr. Martin is a republican in his political views, always supporting the party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He is a member of the United Commercial Travelers, also of the Knights of Pythias and of the Commerce Club. His duties have taken him so largely away from home that he is not much of a club man, preferring when it is possible, to spend his time at his own fireside.

BENJAMIN K. BAER

Benjamin K. Baer, a progressive young business man of Toledo, is secretary and treasurer of the Ringold-Baer Realty Company, whose operations in this field have not only been a source of individual prosperity but have also contributed materially to the upbuilding and improvement of the city. Mr. Baer was born in Deshon, Ohio, July 20, 1891, and his parents were Mason and Frances (King) Baer, the former a native of Kentucky and the latter of English birth. In early life the mother came to the United States, taking up her residence at Indianapolis, Indiana, where she met and married Mason Baer. He was a member of the United States Broom Company of that city and later went to Maumee, Ohio, becoming connected with the John Kaufman Realty Company. His demise occurred at Toledo, on the 12th of February, 1915. The mother is still living. In their family were fourteen children, twelve of whom survive: Jeannette, Mrs. Herbert Davis, Joseph, Emanuel, Mrs. J. J. Snyder, Mrs. J. J. Collins, Mrs. W. E. Good, Milton, Selma, Maurice, Samuel and Benjamin K.

In the acquirement of an education Benjamin K. Baer attended the grammar

schools and the Central high school of Toledo, from which he was graduated in 1909, and he then secured a position as salesman for the John R. Grossman Company, dealers in men's furnishings. He remained with that firm for nine years, resigning to accept an offer of the Reuben Realty Company, and later was placed in charge of their down-town investment department. He acquired a thorough knowledge of the business and at the end of five years severed his relations with that company in order to enter the real estate field independently. On the 1st of February, 1921, in association with Joseph H. Ringold, who had also been connected with the Reuben Realty Company, he organized the Ringold-Baer Realty Company, of which he is now serving as secretary and treasurer, while Mr. Ringold is filling the office of president. They handle residential properties, industrial plants and business realty in the down-town district and also deal in insurance and loans and each department of their business is enjoying a prosperous growth. Mr. Baer has an intimate knowledge of the worth of all realty in the city and is seldom in error in his estimate of property values. He displays sound judgment and keen discernment in the conduct of his interests and by reason of his enterprise and diligence is contributing toward making this one of the most successful real estate firms in the city.

On the 23d of February, 1916, Mr. Baer married Miss Celia K. Himelhoch, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Himelhoch of Toledo, and they have two children: Mason, who was born November 29, 1916; and Betty Jane, born December 14, 1920. Both are natives of this city. In matters of citizenship Mr. Baer is loyal, progressive and public-spirited and during the World war he served as local chairman of the Thrift Stamp campaign, while he also aided in promoting other measures promulgated by the government at that time. He is of the Jewish faith and is a member of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, of which he is president, and is also connected with the Progress Club, of which he has likewise been made president. This organization has eight hundred and fifty members, representing Toledo's most prominent Hebrew citizens. Mr. Baer is also identified with the Young Men's Christian Association of this city, the Toledo Real Estate Board, the Toledo Commerce Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Masonic fraternity. His career has been marked by steady advancement, due to his close application, his earnest study of the business to which he has turned his attention, and his unquestioned integrity and reliability, and Toledo numbers him among her progressive young business men and valued citizens.

JUDGE AARON BERNARD COHN

Judge Aaron Bernard Cohn is a representative of the Ohio bar whose career reflects honor and credit upon the legal and judicial history of the state. At the present time he is serving for the second term as one of the four judges of the municipal court of Toledo, this term covering a period of six years. While in this way he is contributing in notable measure to the forces of law and order in the city, he is doing p erhaps even a still greater work through his labors in connection with the Boy Scouts, whereby he is training the youth of the city for the duties and responsibilities of citizenship and endeavoring to instill into his mind high ideals whereby he may be guided in the later performance of public duties when he shall have reached manhood. Judge Cohn's work is indeed of far-reaching benefit and

effect and the boys of Toledo recognize in him one who is truly their friend, as well as their adviser and counselor. The Judge was born in Hungary, March 29, 1883, and is a son of Sam and Fannie (Friedman) Cohn.

Born in Hungary of a wealthy Jewish family and educated to be a rabbi; coming to America when a young man; spending a time at Panama while the Frenchman De Lesseps was making his vain attempt to cut a canal through the Isthmus; traveling through the Central American republic and through the southern states as a pack peddler; several times established successfully in business and as many times suffering disaster; injured for life in a railroad wreck; taking up his residence at Toledo in 1889, where he lost another modest fortune; in Toledo politics for a quarter of a century, surviving the ups and downs of many political leaders, and ending his days as an honored public official of recognized high ability—such in summary was the life of Sam Cohn of Toledo, who for years had cheerfully looked death in the face and who finally yielded to its importunities and passed away November 10, 1915. His death closed an unusual career. It was such a career in American life and politics as is found portrayed oftener in fiction than in reality. Within his fifty-nine years were compressed experiences such as rarely come to one man and still leaves his life a modest one. Dominating every other fact in his life was that he did more for others than he did for himself. Afflicted for years by physical infirmity before which most men would have quailed and become dependent, he had the quaint and sound philosophy which comes from having conquered suffering and constant trouble, and many others were dependent upon him. His children were reared to comfortable situations. Hundreds of people in and out of his own faith found occasion to lean on his capable assistance; many younger and older politicians looked to him for guidance; he was the confidante of makers of governors, senators, and the president, and politicians and statesmen of much magnitude profited by his advice. Perhaps the keynote of his life was in a brief bit of philosophy which he once confided to a friend: "I never worry a minute over a thing I can't change." Mr. Cohn lived intensively in the present. He seldom became reminiscent, and it is only by piecing together many fragmentary incidents which he told his intimate friends that anything like a complete sketch of his life can be given.

He was born in Nanash, Hungary, October 16, 1856. He was of pure Jewish blood, and his grandfather was a rabbi, and, as already stated, Mr. Cohn himself was educated to follow in the same vocation. He revolted against Old Country conditions, particularly of religious intolerance against the Jews, and set out for America in 1883. In the meantime he had married, taking his wife from the village of Vilmaney, Hungary. All their children except the youngest were born in Hungary. The youngest, a native of this country, is Mrs. Julia Salzman, wife of Dr. Sam Salzman. The other children who survive their father are: Mrs. Sarah Salzman of Chicago; Mrs. Theresa Kessler of Toledo; and Aaron B., of this review. Another son, Jacob, died eight years before his father.

Leaving his family in Hungary until he could establish a home in this country, Sam Cohn arrived at Panama while the French were endeavoring to build the canal, and started out as a peddler. During a yellow fever scourge his partner fell a victim and Mr. Cohn, having won the good graces of the commander of a visiting American war vessel, was carried to New Orleans. Again he started out as an itinerant peddler and went through many of the rural districts of the south. Mr. Cohn was one of several well known Toledo men who got their start in that way. In time he accumulated capital which enabled him to establish himself permanently.

In one southern city he conducted a laundry. For a time he was superintendent of railways in Baton Rouge. He reached the high tide of his business success in the south at Greenville, Mississippi. On the very banks of the Mississippi river he had a hotel and four stores. The treacherous conduct of the waters of the mighty river is well known, and in a single night this portion of the little city was undermined, and Mr. Cohn's entire fortune and property was swept away. About the same time a passenger train on which he was traveling ran off the track and he was crushed in the ruins. Mrs. Cohn came on from Hungary and by constant attention and the best medical science his life was saved, but his spine was twisted so that for his remaining years he walked with a crutch and cane.

In 1889 Mr. and Mrs. Cohn came to Toledo, and sent for their children that remained in Hungary. Mr. Cohn is said to have brought thirty thousand dollars in cash with him to Toledo. For a time he conducted a wholesale notion store successfully, but investments in the Findlay oil field caused his failure. He paid his creditors dollar for dollar. For a time Mr. Cohn conducted a saloon business, though personally he had no liking for that trade and it was only as a last resort that he accepted the opportunity. During the eleven months he conducted such a model place and fed so many men who didn't have work or didn't want it, that he found all his capital dissipated and he closed his doors. At this juncture he was afflicted with a long and severe illness, one of many such during his lifetime of battle against weakness and disease. His home at that time was on Canton street in sections of the fourth and fifth ward. At one election a candidate for assessor asked Mr. Cohn to electioneer for him. He accepted the responsibilities, and the man was elected, and immediately appointed Mr. Cohn his assistant. Such was his entry into Toledo politics. What he did in politics is well worthy of record, and might make a story that could be read with profit by every native American citizen. Some of the more significant phases of his political career are best told by the Toledo Blade:

"His subsequent political career is one of these which go to disprove the popular fiction that a politician's life is one of ease. Like most of those men who make honest politics a profession, Mr. Cohn worked early and late and it is well known he performed services which would have taxed seriously the strength of an able-bodied man. Yet Mr. Cohn's reward for his political service was small. He was appointed market master by former Mayor Guy G. Major, and continued in that position under Mayor Samuel M. Jones. This paid only sixty-five dollars a month. During Governor Nash's term he was appointed superintendent of the Toledo State Free Employment Bureau, a fifteen hundred dollar position, which he continued to hold under Governor Herrick and Governor Harris.

"During these years Mr. Cohn stood the brunt of much political criticism and attacks from his opponents. It was when he was appointed member of the old board of review in 1908 to succeed the late James M. Brown that his real capacity for public service received recognition. He applied himself assiduously to his work. He studied tax authorities and eventually attained state prominence as a tax expert. So substantial was this recognition that twice, when his tenure of office was threatened by political changes, recommendations from Toledo real estate and business men that amounted to a public demand for his reappointment poured in on the state authorities. All Toledo newspapers, including those which had fought him in prior years, endorsed him. The public confidence thus expressed was regarded by Sam Cohn as one of the sweetest things in his life. But in spite of this public goodwill Mr. Cohn had to fight to hold this position. Before the

Warnes law providing for a district tax board was passed, the members of the board of review were appointed by four state officials. Mr. Cohn's term expired before the Warnes law went into effect. Three of the four democratic state officials determined to appoint a democrat, and only the most vigorous public campaign in Toledo obtained Mr. Cohn's reappointment.

"Although a republican, Mr. Cohn stood high in the respect of former Governor Cox, and there was no question of Mr. Cohn's appointment as one of the two district tax assessors under the Warnes law. But when Cox was defeated there was a new state administration which knew not this modern Joseph of politics. Governor Willis removed the district tax assessors throughout the state. Again the realty and business men of Toledo came to Mr. Cohn's aid and hundreds of telegrams insisting on his appointment were sent to the governor. Governor Willis heeded the advice. Mr. Cohn was reappointed. He continued to pursue his consistent service and it is known that Governor Willis so valued him that he was in a fair way to become one of the closest advisers of the state administration. One of Mr. Cohn's greatest assets as a tax official was the logical reasoning by which he persuaded large taxpayers to agree to high valuations of their property without resort to force.

"Mr. Cohn became the adviser of many politicians of state and national importance. He frequently was the confidential representative of the late Senator M. A. Hanna. A story which signifies the important events which have at times swung on him relates to the memorable Taft-Roosevelt contest in the Ohio state convention in 1912. The fight was for the control of the four delegates at large. A majority of the district delegates were for Roosevelt. The Taft forces had a margin of only five votes in the state convention to elect the delegates at large. There were enough Roosevelt men in the Cuyahoga county delegation to switch the margin, but they were held for Taft by the unit rule imposed by the Burton organization. It became known they would vote for the Roosevelt candidate if a poll of the delegation could be obtained. The usual rules provided that any member of the delegation could demand a poll of the convention, but none of them would go that far. To Mr. Cohn was entrusted the task of securing the adoption of rules which would break this deadlock. He performed it. By the exercise of diplomacy he succeeded in having the rules committee adopt rules which were as usual except for one word. They contained the word 'convention' instead of 'delegation.' If the rules had gone through the convention in this form it would have permitted anyone in the convention to challenge the vote of the Cleveland delegation. A poll would have been taken and, according to expectations, enough Cleveland delegates would have voted for the Roosevelt delegate to change the complexion of the convention. The plan did not quite succeed, since the Taft forces discovered the stratagem and the offensive word was changed to its original form. Had the plan not failed, current history might have been different. It is a well established belief that if President Taft had not secured the Ohio delegation at large he would not have been a candidate before the Chicago convention, the progressive wing of the party probably would have won, and the national split in the party probably would not have occurred."

Many more incidents might be related to show the character of the late Sam Cohn, whether as a business man or politician. But enough have been told to explain those deep forces which moved his life and enabled him to move and influence an entire community. No better commentary of his hold upon people of all conditions and classes could be found than the tribute paid to him after his

death. The funeral services were held in the Jewish Educational building in Toledo, Mr. Cohn having been closely identified with the founding and life of the Jewish Educational League, the main purpose of which is to aid Jewish immigrants. He was also prominent as an orthodox Jew in the congregation of B'nai Jacob, was a member of the B'nai B'rith, the Independent Order Sons of Benjamin and the Maccabees. A great cosmopolitan assemblage crowded in and around the doors of the building in which the last rites were held for Mr. Cohn. Court proceedings in the county and federal buildings were suspended. County offices were closed during the hours of the funeral. Business establishments in the Canton Street district conducted by Jews who came under Mr. Cohn's aid and guidance under his lifetime, were closed. After the Jewish Educational building was filled to the doors there stood outside in the rain judges of the common pleas court, lawyers, professional men, politicians of prominence and hosts of others. Members of the Commerce Club, Central Labor Union, Real Estate Board, city officials, merchants and small shopkeepers and persons of all parties and creeds were represented.

One of Mr. Cohn's closest personal friends was Colonel John W. Dowd. Many years ago they made a compact that the survivor of the two would speak at the funeral service of the other. It is fitting that some of the words spoken by Colonel Dowd over the body of his dead friend should be repeated: "I like to think of him as a lineal descendant of those noble old patriarchs who loved mercy, who dealt justly and who walked courageously all the days of their lives. For the last twenty-five years of his life he was in the public service. Little by little, by industry and energy and earnestness and perseverance, his merits became known and received recognition. At last he became a member of the board of review, a sphere in which he found a scope for his abilities. He delighted in his work and it is no disparagement to others to say that he was largely instrumental in so equalizing the burdens of taxation that the homes of the poor paid no more than their just proportion in comparison with the rich and well-to-do. He always looked out for the poor. And when his term expired, men of all creeds, classes and conditions and parties, with practical unanimity demanded that he be retained in the position. And this confidence of the public in him rendered happy the last years of his life.

"And all his success he achieved while suffering from ills that would have crushed the ordinary man. For the last fifteen years of his life he was never free from pain, and always his face was cheerful and always his heart was courageous. Outside of his home this man's chief delight was in the society of his friends. He radiated cheerfulness. It was always a happy crowd when Sam Cohn was there. His smile, his cheer, his wit, his wisdom, these a host of friends can never forget."

To conclude this brief sketch of one who must long be called a first citizen of Toledo, there should be quoted a brief tribute from the words of Rabbi Alexander, who took as the text of his discourse the words of Samuel, "Here Am I." Rabbi Alexander then continued: "The theme of his life was, 'Here am I to serve the people, to make sacrifices for the well-being of the community.' He lived a life of service as few men have lived it, blending the ideal of Judea and the ideal of America. He was an intense Jew and a stanch American. It has been said that he was an American before he reached these shores. True to the traditions of Judea, he had a big conception of the part America should perform in the drama of the world. Every act of his was a commentary on this text. He may not have been conscious of this philosophy, yet he lived it. The world honors such men. This great outpouring from all the walks of life testifies the esteem in which he was held."

In his youthful days Judge Aaron Bernard Cohn was a pupil in the public schools of Toledo, mastering the work of the grades and of the high school, while later he took up the profession of teaching manual training, being active in that field from 1903 until 1905. In this way he gained notable insight into the character, habits, desires, activities and ambitions of boys and his knowledge has stood him in good stead in his efforts to be of real assistance to the youth of Toledo in later years.

Ambitious to become a representative of the bar, Judge Cohn while still teaching in the manual training school, became a student in the Ohio State University, which he entered in 1905 and from which he was graduated with the LL. B. degree in 1910, having taken the complete law course. He was admitted to practice in the state courts and also in the United States courts and continued in the general practice of law for a number of years, trying all kinds of cases and trying them well. One of the strong elements of his success was his careful preparation of every case entrusted to his care and he prepared not only for the expected but also for the unexpected, which happens quite as frequently in the courts as out of them. He continued to engage in general practice until January, 1918, when, having been elected judge of the first municipal court of Toledo in 1917, he entered upon a four years' term in that position and is now serving for a second term which will compass a period of six years.

Throughout his life Judge Cohn has been called upon for active service that has placed him in a position of leadership. During his college days he was vice president of the Students Council in 1906 and 1907 and was president thereof through the two succeeding years. He was also business manager of the Makio in 1908 and during his college period was chairman of the Students Building Committee. He was also president of the Ohio Union and became a member of the Bucket and Dipper, and Sphinx. Graduated in 1910, he was admitted to the bar in the same year and his professional history constitutes no unimportant chapter in the judicial records of the city. He has also become well known in the educational field, having taught law in the night school of St. John's College for three years, while he is now serving for the fifth year as dean of the law college of the Toledo University. He was a member of the committee that drafted the municipal court bill for Toledo in 1917 and as one of the judges of this court he has made an excellent record, showing wisdom not only in his decisions but also attempting in every possible way to arouse in those who come before him a desire to become better citizens and men.

Judge Cohn was a member of the legal advisory board of Toledo during the World war and he became a first lieutenant of Troop D of the First Ohio Cavalry of the Ohio National Guard, in which capacity he served for a number of years in his earlier manhood. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and is a representative member of the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. His interest outside of his profession centers in the youth of the land. He has been actively interested in the Boy Scouts work for nine years as scout master and during the last six years as commissioner of the Boy Scouts in Toledo. He has written two plays for the Scouts, called "Dads," adapted for Father and Sons banquets, and such a banquet in Toledo has been attended by twelve hundred. He has also written a pamphlet on "Gimogash," which is an attempt at the solution of the older boy problem. During the past five years he has been a trustee of the Toledo Newsboys' Association, which gained national attention through the work of John E. Gunkel, now deceased. He was also chairman of a district of northwestern Ohio,

containing twenty-one counties, in connection with the building of the Ohio Stadium. In 1916, as chairman of the summer camp committee of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, he promoted the first municipal summer camp, whereby vacations were provided for two weeks for mothers and children. These families were selected by the District Nurses and Health Department from among the city's most needy. The camp was on Lake Erie and was a very successful project, taking many families out of the heat of the city during the hottest part of a very hot summer. His hand is continually extended to help those less fortunate than himself and his life and work have indeed been an inspiration and in many respects a benediction, particularly to the boys of Toledo.

The following resume and appreciation of his life was written by Wendell Johnson, former editor of the City Journal and now of the Social Service Federation: "Judge Cohn has for years been an outstanding figure in Toledo's civic affairs. Wherever there was a work to be done, of uplift, of civic betterment, of constructive good for humanity, there Judge Cohn was to be found, lending his tremendous energy, his unusual resourcefulness, his untiring zeal toward its accomplishment. Where the job to be done required strong leadership he did not hesitate to accept the responsibility of assuming command. Where an inconspicuous supporting role needed capable handling, he stepped into the place just as willingly and carried on with a self-effacing spirit but with the same energy and ability with which he led others.

"He has filled the position of municipal judge with dignity, courage, and painstaking attention to the matters coming before him. His reelection to the office by an overwhelming vote attests the confidence he has won among the citizens. In addition to his municipal court duties he has filled with ability the position of dean of the law college of the University of the City of Toledo. He has taught law classes both there and at St. John's College.

"But it is perhaps in his unremunerated public services that Judge Cohn has won his chief reputation for active citizenship. In the year 1916 he conceived the idea of a summer camp for tired mothers and their children. He headed a committee of the Commerce Club which sponsored the plan and he himself devoted days and weeks of arduous effort arranging for the camp and directing its management. The camp, established near Toledo Beach, was a huge success. It made possible a vacation for scores of poor mothers who had never before had a respite from the cares and drudgery of a drab home life.

"Judge Cohn has probably found his greatest opportunity for welfare work in organizations for boys. Himself a former newsboy, he has taken an active part in the affairs of the Toledo Newsboys' Association ever since its inception. He has for years been a director of the Association and no officer has entered more wholeheartedly into the organization's work among the newsboys.

"Even more of his time has been given to the Boy Scout movement. Here he has indeed achieved lasting fame, for he is credited with having done more to promote Scouting in Toledo than any other one man. He was for years Scout commissioner, and in that capacity he became known among Boy Scout locals throughout the country for his splendid work. Not only in his wise, farseeing counsel in the management of the Toledo organization, not only in his inspirational speeches on the value of Scouting to Scout leaders and the general public, but in actual participation in the work among the boys themselves did he contribute toward making Toledo one of the chief centers for Scouting in America.

"In quite a different field, the broader one of citizenship, Judge Cohn has

contributed much in the way of arousing interest in public affairs. A very concrete example of his success in this field was afforded by his personal campaign for a new Safety building, to replace an antiquated, unsanitary police station that had been for years a disgrace to the city. Through a unique campaign of publicity, itself a demonstration of his unusual resourcefulness, he aroused such a wave of public sentiment for the project that the council finally passed unanimously a bond issue for a modern, adequate building."

FRANK JOSEPH McDONALD

Frank Joseph McDonald, secretary of the M. H. Smith Lithographing Company, was born in Carey, Ohio, January 11, 1890, a son of John and Catherine Griffin. His mother died when he was very young and he was reared by the McDonalds, whose name he now bears. The country schools afforded him his educational privileges until he reached the age of thirteen years, after which he continued his studies in the public schools of Toledo and thus laid a good foundation upon which to build the superstructure of success in later life. He afterward learned the lithographer's trade, acquainting himself with every phase and principle of the business and upon the organization of the M. H. Smith Lithographing Company he became its secretary. His active experience and knowledge of the business is proving an important element in the successful conduct of the present enterprise. During the World war he was connected with the Evacuation Hospital service. On the 6th of March, 1918, he joined the army as a private and was sent overseas on the 26th of July, being with the army until mustered out on the 27th of May, 1919, being engaged in active duty in France for about ten months. It has been since his return that he became associated with the M. H. Smith Lithographing Company and the diligence, thoroughness and capability he displays in connection with the business are substantial elements in his growing success.

WILLIAM WASHINGTON COLDHAM, M. D.

The attractiveness of Toledo as a place of residence is manifest in the fact that a large majority of her native sons have remained within her borders, enjoying the countless opportunities for business progress and advancement. Among those representing the medical profession here who are natives of the city is Dr. William Washington Coldham, who since preparing for the practice of medicine and surgery has remained here. He was born on the 22d of February, 1865, and is a son of James and Anna (Williams) Coldham. He pursued his early education in the public schools of Toledo and then went to Toronto, Canada, where he entered the Trinity University, in which he prepared for his chosen calling, winning the M. D. C. M. degree. He has also studied in London, England, and throughout his career has availed himself of every opportunity to promote his knowledge and advance his efficiency through wide study and scientific research and investigation. With his return to Toledo he opened an office and has since engaged in practice here. The years have chronicled his success and he enjoys the reputation of being most careful in diagnosis, while in his expression as to the outcome of disease he

is seldom, if ever, at fault. He is keenly interested in anything that tends to bring to man the key to the complex mystery which we call life and he has kept in touch with the trend of modern professional thought and progress through his membership in the Academy of Medicine and in the American Medical Association. For fifteen years he has been chief of staff in St. Vincent's Hospital, doing splendid work there in connection with his large private practice.

On the 29th of October, 1889, in Toledo, Dr. Coldham was united in marriage to Miss Kathryn Shaw, a daughter of E. C. Shaw. They have become the parents of three daughters: Winters, now the wife of John E. Cameron; Kathryn, who married David Robison; and Anna Carrol, at home.

Dr. and Mrs. Coldham are members of St. Mark's Episcopal church. He belongs to the Inverness Golf Club and his military record covers service as surgeon of the First Ohio Battery of the National Guard from 1887 until 1893. The major part of his time and attention has always been concentrated upon his professional interests and duties, which he has ever performed with a sense of conscientious obligation, and by reason of his developing powers he has advanced steadily to the front in his chosen calling, being long well known as a leading and capable physician and surgeon of Toledo.

ALFRED A. BENNETT

Among the varied industries which are important factors in the business development and material upbuilding of Toledo is that of the Copperstone Products Company, of which Alfred A. Bennett is president, and the present success of the enterprise is largely attributable to his well devised and carefully executed plans. He was born in Adrian, Michigan, May 29, 1879, of the marriage of Andrew H. and Mary (Green) Bennett, the former a native of Canada and the latter of Michigan, to which state the father removed in early life. After reaching manhood he became connected with the building and contracting business at Adrian and later went to Jackson, where for a time he continued his activities along that line. Later he became associated with his brother in the conduct of an undertaking establishment and his demise occurred at Toledo, May 27, 1889, while the mother passed away at Adrian, Michigan, in 1884. They were the parents of three children: Mrs. Albert Polscher, a resident of El Paso, Texas; Miss Louise Thompson, who has been legally adopted by her uncle and now bears his name; and Alfred A., of this review.

Alfred A. Bennett acquired his education in the public schools of Toledo, following this by a course in a business college of this city. On starting out in life for himself he secured employment with the Ames-Bonner Company and later was with the Simmons Boot & Shoe Manufacturing Company for a short time, after which he obtained a position with the Lloyd Brothers Company, marble and monument manufacturers. He remained with that firm for fifteen years, winning promotion from one position to another of greater responsibility until he finally became president of the corporation. After selling his interests in the business he organized the Copperstone Products Company, of which he is now serving as president. The firm manufactures cement products, such as flagging composition and aggregate copper products for use in the construction of floors and roads, employing at times as many as fifty workmen. Mr. Bennett thoroughly under-

stands all phases of the business in which he is engaged and this practical knowledge, together with his sound judgment and keen insight, has enabled him so to direct the affairs of the company that its trade has shown a steady growth.

Mr. Bennett was married June 25, 1902, to Miss Gussie L. Weis of this city, and they have become the parents of four children: Jane, whose birth occurred in 1910; John, born in July, 1913; Betty, born in 1915; and Robert Andrew, born in 1923. Mr. Bennett is a member and one of the vestrymen of Trinity Episcopal church of Toledo and his political support is given to the candidates of the republican party when national issues are involved, but at local elections he casts his ballot in favor of the man whom he deems best fitted for office without regard to party ties. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner and is also a member of the Toledo Commerce Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Kiwanis Club. As a business man his standing is of the highest and in all matters of citizenship his influence is on the side of progress and improvement.

ROBERT J. WEST

Robert J. West, president and manager of the West Crescent Fuel Company, is an outstanding figure in commercial circles in Toledo. For twenty-three years he has conducted the West Crescent Fuel Company and has guided its destinies until it has become one of the leading institutions of its kind in this part of the state.

Robert J. West was born in Toledo, on the 18th of May, 1868, his parents being Charles and Mary (Williams) West. The father, a native of London, England, was born in 1829, and died in Toledo on the 18th of September, 1909. He was for a number of years identified with the wholesale drug business and had an extensive circle of friends in this city.

Robert J. West attended the public schools of Toledo and began his business career in 1888, with the old Merchants National Bank, where he was employed for two years. In 1900 he was appointed by President McKinley, supervisor of census of the ninth census district, in the taking of the United States census, and was again called to that office in 1910. In 1900 he organized the Leeper, West & Terry Company, which has become the West Crescent Fuel Company, wholesalers and retailers of all grades of coal, of which he has been president since its inception. The firm conducts four local distributing yards and enjoys one of the largest patronages of any company in Toledo.

Mr. West's activities, however, are not confined to this business alone. Of pronounced executive ability, his interest in civic matters has proven of public benefit to the community. He has been on the board of trustees of the Community Chest Fund and has been untiring in his efforts in behalf of that organization's work. He is a past president of Toledo Council of Boy Scouts and a member of the executive council of Toledo. He has been vitally interested in all agencies and forces which tend to promote the civic welfare of Toledo, and it has been truly said of him that he has filled a place in local activities that few men are gifted with the ability to fill.

Mr. West married, in 1904, Miss Elizabeth Dority, a daughter of the late James Dority. Mr. and Mrs. West have one son, James, born in 1905, who is attending Hackley School at Tarrytown, New York.

Mr. West is a thirty-third degree Mason, and has been a prominent and active figure in both local and state Masonic affairs. He is a member of the Toledo Club, Toledo Country Club, Toledo Yacht Club, Chamber of Commerce, and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks; he is a generous supporter of the Symphony Orchestra; and for the last five years has been a director of the Security Savings Bank & Trust Company.

J. PRESSLY LYLE, M. D.

Dr. J. Pressly Lyle, who passed away on the 8th of November, 1922, after many years devoted to the practice of medicine and to active promotion of fraternal interests, was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, on the 10th of March, 1850, a son of John and Sarah Jane (Simpson) Lyle. His grandparents in the paternal line, Joseph and Jeanette (McNary) Lyle, were also born in Pennsylvania and passed away in Washington county, that state, the grandfather attaining the ripe old age of eighty-three years. Pennsylvania was also the native state of the maternal grandparents, Robert and Ann (Lyle) Simpson, who spent their lives in Washington county. The birth of Dr. Lyle's father occurred in Washington county, April 21, 1821, and he was the senior of his wife by only about three months, her birth occurring in the same county on the 19th of July, 1821. John Lyle devoted his attention to the occupation of farming as a life work and thus provided a comfortable living for his family. His early political allegiance was given to the democratic party, but with the organization of the republican party he joined its ranks and remained a faithful follower of its principles to the time of his death, which occurred in 1907, when he was in the eighty-sixth year of his age. His widow survived him and passed away in Jefferson county, Ohio. They were long devoted members of the Presbyterian church and Mr. Lyle served as an elder for more than a half century. This worthy couple became the parents of eight children, of whom five sons and two daughters are living.

The youthful days of J. Pressly Lyle were spent in his native county and to the public school system of Pennsylvania he was indebted for the early educational opportunities which he enjoyed. He afterward continued his studies in the McNeely Normal College at Hopedale, Ohio, and next entered Richmond College at Richmond, Ohio, where he completed his preparatory studies. In preparation for a professional career he entered the Columbus Medical College at Columbus, Ohio, and there received his M. D. degree upon graduation with the class of 1882. Immediately thereafter he returned to Pennsylvania and for three years was an interne in Passavant Hospital at Pittsburgh, thus gaining that broad and practical knowledge which can never be so quickly secured in any other way as in hospital practice. He was also associated for a year with the wholesale drug house of J. H. Henderson & Brothers and he became one of the early members of the Allegheny County Medical Association and was the first solicitor for the Pittsburgh Medical Journal.

Dr. Lyle's association with professional interests in Ohio dated from 1882, when he opened an office in Unionport, Jefferson county, there remaining until 1891, when he located at Cleveland. In the following year he occupied the position of pharmacist with a large drug house and in 1892 he removed to Toledo, where he spent the remainder of his life and enjoyed an extensive practice, being particu-

larly skilled as a diagnostician. At all times broad reading and study kept him in touch with the trend of modern scientific advancement and research and he ever utilized the most progressive methods of the profession in his daily practice. He was an honorary member of the Allegheny County Medical Association at Pittsburgh and while residing in Unionport, Ohio, he was an active member of the Jefferson County Medical Association.

Dr. Lyle was very prominently known in connection with his work in various fraternal orders. As a Mason he was a past master of Yondota Lodge, F. & A. M.; past high priest of Port Lawrence Chapter, R. A. M.; past illustrious master of Vistula Council, R. & S. M.; and a member of Eu-Tah Commandery, K. T. He was also past worthy patron of Yondota Chapter of the Eastern Star. He became an Odd Fellow in 1876 and was identified with the Knights of Pythias from 1882. In 1895 he became a member of the Knights and Ladies of Columbia, of the Order of Chosen Friends in 1897 and of the Tribe of Ben Hur in 1898. In 1903 he organized another fraternal society known as the Order of Love, Light and Truth. He belonged as well to the Protected Home Circle and filled the office of supreme deputy grand riboni of the Order of the Philosophy of the Living Fire. In all of these fraternal societies he was local examining physician and he did everything in his power to stimulate an interest in and secure the adoption of the high principles and ethical standards upon which these organizations are based.

On the 30th of May, 1875, Dr. Lyle wedded Miss Ellen Shoemaker, a native of Jefferson county, Ohio, and they became parents of two daughters, Georgia O. and Bessie A., the latter deceased. The former is the wife of Wilhelm F. Widell and has two children: Sigrid Caroline, now the wife of Ralph M. Winters; and Kathleen Ellen. Dr. Lyle was long a firm supporter of republican principles and served as committeeman of the party for more than a quarter of a century. At local elections, however, where no issue was involved, he cast an independent ballot. In fact, he was an independent thinker, liberal and broad-minded, not holding to creed or man-made divisions of religion but adhering to the high standards which recognize the brotherhood of man and the obligations thereby imposed.

JOSEPH M. MURPHY

It is a matter of deep interest in the study of biography to find that industry is the key which unlocks the portal of success. Many of the most prominent figures in the business world today are those whose start has been of most humble origin. Such is the record of Joe Murphy, who first earned his living by serving as water boy with a railroad gang. Today he is president of the Citizens Ice Company, which controls a business of very gratifying and substantial proportions. Joe was born in Toledo, July 14, 1867, and is a son of James and Bridget (McGrath) Murphy. His education was acquired in the Immaculate Conception parochial school and when quite young he started out to provide for his own support, securing a position as water boy with a railway section gang. He was ambitious and not afraid to work and step by step he advanced. His second position was that of messenger boy with the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway and again his fidelity and diligence won him promotion, so that after a time he became bill clerk. His progress was continuous and for a few years he occupied clerical positions in the general offices of the Michigan Central Railroad, acting as bookkeeper for The

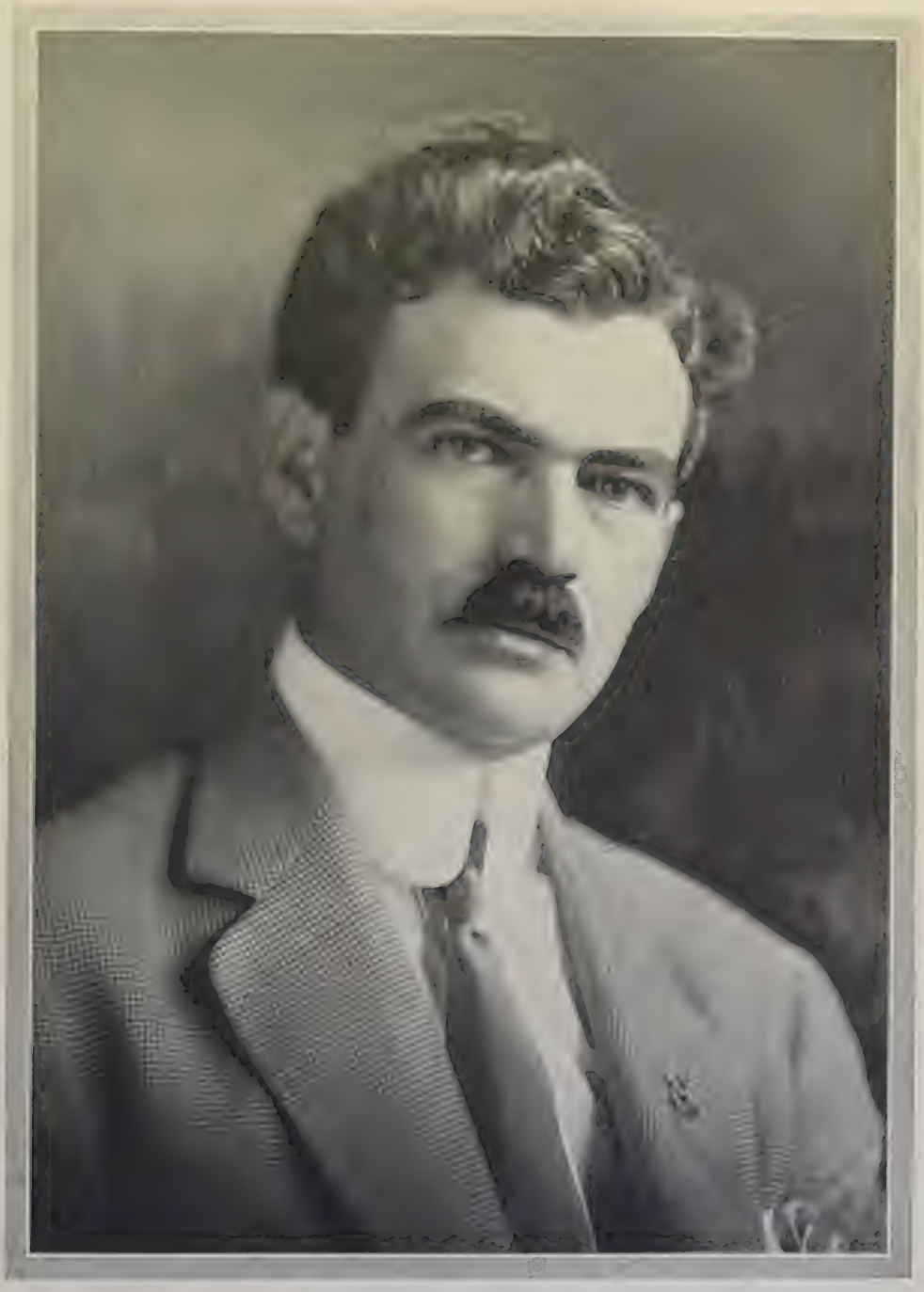
Gendron Wheel Company for a number of years, then advertising manager for The Famous Clothing store and later went into business for himself in meats. Actuated by a most laudable ambition, he carefully saved his earnings until he felt that the time was ripe for him to start out independently. His economy had enabled him to acquire considerable capital and he organized the Citizens Ice Company, of which he became the manager and secretary. From the beginning the enterprise prospered and after a time Mr. Murphy was chosen to the presidency and has since been the head directing official of the company, which today has an extensive trade, its business growing steadily.

On the 4th of October, 1894, Mr. Murphy was married to Miss Lillie Bourdette of Toledo and their living children are: Claire Marie and Robert Arthur. Their religious faith is that of the Catholic church and Mr. Murphy is identified with the Knights of Columbus. He belongs to the Toledo Club, to the Rotary Club, to the Commerce Club and to the Toledo Yacht Club, the latter association indicating much concerning the nature of his recreation. In 1921 he organized a singing organization of twelve male voices called "The Ice House Quartet," whose pep has added zest to many a civic gathering. He discovered the song, "We're Strong for Toledo." He is interested in all those forces which have to do with civic righteousness and upbuilding and his cooperation and support can be counted upon to further all plans and measures for Toledo's improvement.

GEORGE A. DENMAN, M. D.

The medical profession of Toledo finds a prominent representative in Dr. George A. Denman, who is specializing in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, in the treatment of which he has been very successful. He was born in Allen county, Kansas, July 8, 1877, a son of Francis M. and Lydia (Harding) Denman, the former a native of Indiana. The father enlisted for service in the Civil war, joining the Ninety-seventh Illinois Volunteer Regiment, and was commissioned a captain. He participated in many notable engagements but was never wounded and after receiving his discharge he went to Kansas, where he took up a soldier's claim, on which he engaged in the raising of cattle, while later he developed a large nursery. Subsequently he removed to Charleston, Illinois, but afterward went to California, hoping that a milder climate might restore his health, but his demise occurred in the Golden state in 1905. The mother had passed away at Charleston, Illinois, in 1900. Of the children born to their union two are living: George A.; and I. O., a prominent physician of Toledo, who is also a specialist in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat.

In the acquirement of an education George A. Denman attended the public schools of Allen county, Kansas, and Savonburg Academy of that state, after which he became a student at the University of Kansas, in which he completed an academic course. From 1901 until 1903 he was in the office of Dr. James S. Campbell, a well known physician of Chicago, Illinois, and during that time he also attended the Hahnemann Medical College of that city, from which he was graduated in 1903, with the M. D. degree. He began his professional career at Tuscola, Illinois, where he remained until 1907, when he went abroad for the study of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, taking postgraduate work at the University of Vienna, Austria, and at Frieburg, Germany. In 1908 he returned



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to the United States and established his office in Toledo, where he has since concentrated his attention upon the treatment of diseases pertaining to the eye, ear, nose and throat, in which he has developed expert skill. He has also attended the Chicago Post Graduate School and has ever remained a close and discriminating student of his profession, utilizing every opportunity to broaden his knowledge and promote his efficiency. With the passing years his practice has steadily increased and his professional services are now in constant demand.

On the 15th of March, 1916, Dr. Denman was united in marriage to Miss Anna M. Bell, a graduate of the Nurses Training School of Toledo and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bell, well known residents of this city. Dr. and Mrs. Denman have a daughter, Dorothy E., who was born March 15, 1921. In his political views the Doctor is a republican and while a resident of Tuscola, Illinois, he was elected coroner of Douglas county, filling that office from 1904 until 1906. He is deeply interested in the welfare and progress of his city and his public spirit finds expression in his membership with the Chamber of Commerce. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and belongs to Perfection Lodge at Danville, Illinois, to the chapter, council and commandery at Tuscola, that state, and to Valley Lodge, the Scottish Rite Consistory and Medinah Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Chicago. He is also a member of the Toledo Automobile Club and his professional connections are with the Lucas County, Northwestern Ohio and Ohio State Medical associations, the American Institute of Homeopathy and the National Ophthalmological and Oto-Laryngological Society. He is a man of advanced scientific attainments, whose professional career has been marked by continuous progress and as a member of the medical fraternity he has attained high rank among those whose skill is uniformly acknowledged.

EUGENE A. DAUTELL

Eugene A. Dautell, the newly appointed general manager of the Toledo Cadillac Company, is exceptionally well qualified for this responsible position and during the period of his residence in this city he has made many stanch friends. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 29, 1879, of the marriage of Frank and Katherine (Dautell) Dautell, the former of whom died when the subject of this review was very young. The mother still resides in the Quaker city.

In the public schools of Philadelphia Eugene A. Dautell acquired his education and he afterward served an apprenticeship to the mechanic's trade, having a natural predilection for work of that character. For a time he was connected with the manufacture and sale of gas meters but later became identified with the theatrical profession, displaying considerable ability as an actor. As a member of dramatic organizations he toured the United States, Canada and Mexico, winning favorable notices from the press and appreciation from the public, and for a number of years he continued in the profession. Subsequently he decided to return to business pursuits and in 1913 came to Toledo, securing a position as salesman with the Campbell Motor Car Company. Later he joined the Cadillac Company in a similar capacity and recognition of his ability on the part of his employers led to his appointment as general manager of the Toledo Cadillac Company, on the 12th of July, 1922. He is energetic, aggressive and determined and it is his ambition to build up the sales organization of the Cadillac, both in Toledo and the

out-of-town territory under his charge. He is an expert mechanic and salesman and the company is fortunate in securing the services of a man of his efficiency and worth.

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the 22d of November, 1916, Mr. Dautell was united in marriage to Miss Pearl Read and they have become the parents of three children: Betty Jane, who was born in 1918; Phyllis Read, born in 1919; and Eugene A., Jr., whose birth occurred in 1920. Mr. Dautell gives his political support to the republican party, because he believes that its principles will best conserve the interests of good government. His public spirit is denoted by his connection with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and he is also a member of the Inverness Club and the Toledo Club. He is very thorough in everything that he does, never undertaking a task unless he deems it worthy of his best efforts, and the position which he now occupies has been won through merit and ability.

WILLIAM FRANCIS MALONE

Various business interests have claimed the time and attention of William Francis Malone, who is now the secretary and treasurer of the Harter Candy Company. He has also spent a period of years in public office and in every relation of life he has measured up to the demands made upon him in the way of progressive, intelligently directed and honorable business activity and public service. Mr. Malone is a native of Toledo, born February 15, 1863. His father, Edward Malone, was one of the early contractors and builders of the city, being accorded the contract for the erection of the Boody House and also of the State Asylum. In fact, he erected most of the large buildings in Toledo in his day and occupied a leading position among the contractors here.

His son, William Francis Malone, attended St. Patrick's school and the Assumption College, thus acquiring the education which qualified him for life's practical and responsible duties. He later spent one year with the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad and then joined his father in business, being thus associated until 1889. In the latter year he became secretary-treasurer of the Buckeye Paint & Oil Company and so continued for fourteen years, or until 1903, when he was made a member of the board of review of Lucas county and occupied that position altogether for sixteen years, or until 1919. Since his retirement from office he has been the secretary-treasurer of the Harter Candy Company and is active in control of what is today one of the important commercial interests of the city.

On the 7th of May, 1889, Mr. Malone was married to Miss Mary White, a native of Chicago, and they have become the parents of seven children: Rev. Francis E. Malone, D. D., who is now a chancellor of the Toledo diocese; Robert J., who married Agnes Schindler of Toledo, and has two children, Robert Charles and William Francis, Jr.; Elizabeth; Catherine, who is now known as Sister Aloysia, being a Sister of Mercy; Helen; Margaret; and Richard W. The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic church. Mr. Malone is a member of the Inverness Club and he has a very wide acquaintance in Toledo, where his life has been passed, many of his stanchest friends being those who have known him from his boyhood to the present time.

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